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## Move to distance Jordan from West Bank

# Hussein dissolves lower house of Parliament

AMMAN, July 30, (Reuters): King Hussein today dissolved Jordan's lower house of Parliament, half of whose deputies sit for constituencies in the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

The official news agency Petra said the king issued a decree dissolving the 60-member house with effect from July 30. Petra did not say whether the royally appointed upper house, or Senate would also be dissolved.

The move was seen as another step to distance Jordan from the West Bank, which it lost to Israel in 1967, after the cancellation on Thursday of Jordan's West Bank development plan.

Petra said King Hussein would broadcast an address to the nation on radio and television tomorrow evening. It gave no details.

A cabinet statement announcing abandonment of Jordan's 1986 plan to spend \$1.3 billion on the occupied lands said the aim was to "enable the PLO to shoulder its full responsibilities and remove any doubt concerning Jordan's position."

### Expected

A senior Jordanian official said further measures might follow discussions with PLO chairman Yasser Arafat, expected to visit Amman this week. "It seemed the West Bank programme was one objection to Jordan's policy which the PLO had on its list," the official said. "If Mr Arafat has others we will consider them."

The cabinet statement said the new measures would end criticism that Jordan sought to exercise a condominium with Israel



King Hussein

over the West Bank or to undercut the PLO's role there.

The future of the lower house of Parliament, a symbol of Jordan's claim to sovereignty in the

West Bank, had been uncertain since King Hussein declared several months ago that the PLO should take responsibility for the occupied lands.

Relations between Jordan and the PLO have been strained since Feb 1986 when King Hussein suspended an accord on how the two sides might attend Middle East peace talks together.

### Rebuffed

The PLO, strengthened by the eight-month-old Palestinian uprising against Israeli rule, has rebuffed the idea of a joint PLO-Jordan delegation at an international peace parley.

In March a leftist purporting to come from the leaders of the Palestinian uprising, but later disowned by the PLO, ordered West Bank deputies to resign from the Jordanian Parliament.

Parliament, in summer recess when today's decision was announced, was recalled by King Hussein in 1984 after a 10-year lapse.

The king first dissolved the Parliament in 1974 after an Arab League summit in Rabat officially named the PLO as the sole, legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

He ruled from 1978 to 1984 with an appointed consultative council.

Jordan had consulted a number of Arab countries before deciding to scrap the development programme, according to a leading UAE newspaper.

Petra said the king sent letters to heads of 21-member Arab League and to leaders of the five permanent UN Security Council members explaining Jordan's steps to lower its profile in the West Bank.



Thatcher meets Sheikh Hamad Bin Isa in Manama, Bahrain. (Reuters wirephoto)

## 'Ceasefire in Gulf not enough'

# Thatcher calls for comprehensive peace

MANAMA, Bahrain, July 30, (Agencies): British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher expressing strong satisfaction over Iran's acceptance of a UN resolution calling for a ceasefire in the Gulf war, said today that Britain was prepared to call for a meeting of the five permanent members of the Security Council to help bring peace to the region.

Thatcher said she was confident UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, currently holding talks with foreign ministers of both Iran and Iraq, would do everything possible to secure a ceasefire in the eight-year-old war.

"We are very anxious that that be implemented within the next few days if possible," said Thatcher in an interview with Bahrain television during a stopover in this Gulf island state.

### Active

The English text was released by the British embassy hours after she continued on her trip to Salalah in neighbouring Oman where she met Sultan Qaboos. Thatcher is on a 12-day trip that will include stops in Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand and Australia.

A ceasefire in the Gulf was not enough, she said. The resolution had a second part which meant that "there must be comprehensive peace in the region, and negotiating that, of course, will take very much longer."

"We are very active in the United Nations. It so happens that Britain is, as it were, almost the chairman of the five permanent members of the Security Council with regard to this matter and it is up to us to convene the five members, should that be necessary," said Thatcher.

Britain has limited diplomatic relations with Tehran, with no British diplomats stationed in the Iranian capital.

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## Pre-election talks

DAMASCUS, July 30, (Reuters): Lebanese parliamentary Speaker Hussein Husseini had talks with Syrian Vice-President Abdel-Halim Khaddam today about presidential elections due in Lebanon within two months, diplomats said.

## Time for vigorous action: Gorbachev

MOSCOW, July 30, (UPI): Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, declaring the time for "vigorous action" has arrived, urged major political reforms that will allow the election of a new Parliament and president next spring.

"Time is pressing us, comrades, and this should be stated bluntly," Gorbachev said at a one-day plenary session yesterday of the Communist Party's central committee.

Tass, the official news agency, said the roughly 300 plenum members approved the creation of a Gorbachev-led committee to implement far-reaching reforms approved at the special 19th all-union party congress, in effect allowing him to supervise the changes.

The reforms, passed by the party congress on July 1, included multi-candidate elections, a 10-year limit on elected terms of office and a total restructuring of the governmental system, with the revamping of the Supreme Soviet and creation of the more powerful presidency.

The new Soviet congress would replace the current Supreme Soviet Parliament of 1,500 members, and Gorbachev, the party general secretary, would likely be the main candidate to replace ceremonial President Andrei Gromyko, 78.

Tass said Gorbachev's plans envisage a restructured government by next April as part of his reforms to transfer daily administrative duties from the party to the Parliament, which until now has performed only a rubber stamp role.

"What is needed is work. What is needed is control over the fulfilment of adopted decisions (of the party congress)," Gorbachev said. "Otherwise recurrences of past mistakes are inevitable."

Under Gorbachev's timetable a national discussion of a draft law democratising the electoral system will be held in early October, Tass said.

In the second half of November, the current Parliament would introduce changes in the constitution and adopt the election law, the news agency said.

"It is intended to hold the elections in March 1989 and to convene in April the first congress of the people's deputies — the new supreme body of state power in the country," Tass said.

## Discord over direct talks delays truce

UNITED NATIONS, July 30, (Agencies): Substantive talks here on a Gulf war truce still have not begun because of continuing disagreement over Iraq's demand for face-to-face meetings with Iran, a senior Iraqi diplomat said today.

Ambassador Riyad Al Qaysi renewed this demand in a statement to reporters.

"We are not engaged on our part in any substantive discussion," he said in reply to a reporter's question. "We are engaged now in solving this particular issue."

He added: "We should not lose hope."

Earlier, Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, who has been meeting both sides in separate talks, said he was still hopeful he would be able to announce a ceasefire date next week.

He also said he was faced with procedural difficulties that he was trying to resolve. He had a further meeting today with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati.

Al Qaysi said there was no immediate plan for a meeting between the secretary-general and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

The Iraqi ambassador, a member of Aziz's team, said Iraq had full confidence in Perez de Cuellar and was co-operating with him.

Asked about reports that Iraq was being pressured by other nations to be accommodating in the search for a truce, Al Qaysi said: "I should like to assure you categorically there is no such pressure on Iraq."

Leaving the United Nations after a talk with Perez de Cuellar that lasted almost 90 minutes, Velayati declined to talk to reporters although he had been willing to respond to their questions after most of the four other meetings here this week.

But in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, Iran's deputy foreign minister indicated that Iran might accept direct talks.

"We thought of ceasefire and peace. In order to reach this we co-operated with UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar,

and if De Cuellar sees it as necessary to reach this end we will accept it," Ali Mohammed Besharati said at a press conference.

Iran's UN delegate Mohammad Ja'afar Mahallati was asked about an impasse and replied: "We have not created any impasse."

He said the Iranian side would return for further talks with Perez de Cuellar on Monday.

Mahallati told the Islamic Republic News Agency (IRNA) that the United Nations should set a date for a ceasefire even if Iraq did not agree to it.

The ceasefire would be binding on both sides and if Iraq ignored it, the Security Council would be duty bound to take punitive measures, Mahallati said.

Perez de Cuellar told reporters today that Iraq's reiteration of its position was "only normal."

"I will maintain the pressure on all sides in order to obtain a quick way out of the present

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## Abu Ghazala holds talks in Iraq

BAGHDAD, July 30, (Reuters): Egyptian Defence Minister Abdel Halim Abu Ghazala met his Iraqi counterpart Adnan Kheirullah today for talks which an Arab diplomat said focused on the Iran-Iraq war and military co-operation.

Egypt, a staunch supporter of Baghdad in the war, has supplied Iraq with large quantities of arms

and ammunition over the past few years.

The official Iraqi News Agency (INA) said Field Marshal Abu Ghazala's talks covered "fraternal relations and increasing co-operation in the interests of the Arab nation."

It did not elaborate.

Yugoslavian Deputy Prime Minister Janc Zernjic arrived in Baghdad today for talks on the Gulf war and Yugoslav-Iraqi relations, an embassy official said.

Yugoslavia, which has more than 1,200 technicians working on development projects in Iraq, has maintained good relations with both Baghdad and Tehran during the eight-year-old Gulf war.

## Bush's Mideast policy similar to Reagan's

WASHINGTON, July 30, (KUNA): If George Bush is elected as the next President of the United States in November, little change in America's Middle East policy towards the Arabs, Israelis, and the Palestinians is expected to emerge, according to the Republican candidate's first detailed position paper on the Middle East acquired by KUNA here yesterday.

The nine-page position paper, passed on to KUNA by a senior Bush aide, outlines Bush's views on US interests in the region, highlights the special US-Israeli relationship, expresses his position on the peace process, US-Soviet relations in the region, the Gulf in general and the Iran-Iraq war in particular, the question of Jerusalem, Lebanon, and US relations with friendly Arab countries.

Bush's views on the Middle East appear to be a carbon copy of the Reagan administration's positions over the last eight years



Bush

with very few changes. In principle, he highlights the strong US-Israeli ties and rejects in particular all Palestinian demands voiced during the Reagan administration's term in office.

In his position paper, Bush, for example rejects the creation of an independent Palestinian state,

rejects direct talks with the PLO, and insists on face-to-face negotiations between the Arabs and the Israelis while advocating the principles of the Camp David agreement. He offers no new ideas or plans for the region.

In his paper, Bush outlines three basic objectives of America's policy in the Middle East:

- The region should be stable and its nations controlled by governments friendly to the US.
- Israel must remain free, democratic, militarily secure, and economically strong.
- Freedom of the seas and free trade are American traditions and access to the sea lanes and oil resources of the region to the US and its allies should be free from interference, whether from regional troublemakers, the Soviet Union or terrorists.

Bush says the US should work with "moderate Arab nations

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## Iraq pulls out of 4 Iranian towns

BAGHDAD, July 30, (Agencies): Iraq said its forces withdrew from four Iranian towns on the central war front today as part of its planned pull-out from all Iranian territory.

A military spokesman named the towns as Sar Pol-e-Zarab, which is about 15 km (10 miles) inside Iran. Helwan (Qasr-e-Shirin), Sumar and Amirabad.

He made no mention of fighting but said the withdrawal was completed by 3.30 pm (1130 GMT).

### Missions

Iraq said Iraqi forces used chemical bombs against a village just inside the border near the town of Marivan in northwestern Iran, and shelled villages near Sardasht in the same region, Iraq denied the charges.

On Friday, Iranian acting Commander-in-Chief Hashemi Rafsanjani said Iraqi forces pushed 103 kilometres (65 miles) into Iran before Iran pushed the invaders back toward the border.

An earlier INA announcement said Iraqi forces used chemical bombs against a village just inside the border near the town of Marivan in northwestern Iran, and shelled villages near Sardasht in the same region, Iraq denied the charges.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency said 10 civilians were wounded in the chemical bombing of the village, Bilo, outside Marivan. It did not say how the bombing was carried out.

Iran's daily high command communique said Iraqi jets and helicopter gunships flew 214 missions against Iranian troop positions today, inflicting heavy losses.

It said all aircraft returned safely to base.

Tehran Radio reported that Iraqi forces launched an attack a little farther south, around the town of Mehran on the southern war front.

"A heavy battle is raging in the area and our Muslim combatants have forced the Iraqis to retreat," the radio said.

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## Surge in shipping expected

KUWAIT told its ports yesterday to get ready for a surge in shipping if Iran and Iraq end their war.

Minister of State for Services Issa Mohammed Al Mazidi told port officials to take adequate measures to deal with the expected return of uninterrupted Gulf shipping.

The eight-year-old war devastated Kuwait's once-lucrative re-export trade with Iran and Iraq and led to attacks on merchant shipping in the Gulf.

## DAY BY DAY

IT IS said that the General Secretariat of the GCC is planning to appoint a permanent lawyer to be based in a European country to counteract the activities of the blackmailing press.

The lawyer will immediately sue the offending press when he believes the article was obviously written with the intention of extracting money by blackmail.

Given the fact that the despicable acts of so-called press are no longer effective and its blackmailing articles have become well known to readers, the GCC's step is to be commended in-so far as it will contribute towards silencing those journalists who proved failures at earning money legitimately and had to resort to blackmail.

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## ARAB TIMES Grand Bingo

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## INTERNATIONAL

## Police defuse bomb in Pretoria theatre

## 57 hurt in S. African blast

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, July 30. (Agencies): At least 57 people were injured, seven critically, when a bomb exploded today at a busy shopping plaza, police said.

The blast occurred about noon (1000 GMT) at the main shopping centre in Benoni, a town about 12 miles (20 kilometres) east of Johannesburg, police said.

Police initially said one person was killed, but spokesman Lieut. Willem Meyer said later that no deaths had been confirmed. He said the seven people in critical condition had been taken to Johannesburg hospital.

**Wrecked**  
Police declined to give additional details. However, the South African Press Association, citing unidentified witnesses, said the explosion took place at a fast-food restaurant in the plaza.

The plaza generally is packed with shoppers on Saturdays. No one immediately claimed responsibility for the blast.

The blast about noon wrecked the restaurant, splintering chairs

and tables and shattering windows, handbags, shoes and glass shards through a section of the plaza.

Police officer Chris Croucamp, shopping with his 8-month-old son, was 25 feet (8 metres) from the restaurant when the bomb detonated.

"I saw one man running from the wimpy with his hair on fire, and people were lying all over the place," Croucamp said. He took his shocked wife to a nearby hospital.

**Attacks**  
There have been more than 90 bombings in South Africa during the 25-month-old state-of-emergency. Police have blamed virtually all of the attacks on the African National Congress, the banned main black guerrilla group attempting to overthrow the white-led government.

In related developments, one person was slightly injured this morning when a suspected limpet mine exploded at a bus stop in Germiston, a town about nine miles (15 kilometres) southeast of Johannesburg. There was no

claim of responsibility.

In Pretoria, police discovered an explosive device at a theater complex. Police cordoned off the area and bomb experts defused the device, police said.

**Banned**  
The Metro Theatre had been one of more than 30 movie houses nationwide that had begun showing the controversial movie "Cry Freedom" on Friday when it was banned just a few hours after it premiered.

The film is based on two books by Donald Woods, a white newspaper editor who befriended black leader Steve Biko and fled the country after Biko's death in detention.

Information Minister Stoffel Botha said the government ordered the last-minute banning to prevent the film touching off racial violence.

The government-appointed publications appeal board, the nation's highest censorship panel, approved the film for showing half an hour before the first screenings.

Warnings of possible bombs at cinemas showing the movie were

telephoned to newspapers and news agencies by anonymous callers claiming allegiance to Black Consciousness founder Steve Biko, whose death in police detention in 1977 is a central theme of Cry Freedom.

**Unrest**  
In other violence, seven blacks were killed in five separate attacks in Natal province and the Soweto township outside Johannesburg, police said in their daily unrest report.

One black man was fatally stabbed and three seriously injured when they were attacked by black students in Soweto, the police statement said.

In Natal, the site of ongoing black-on-black faction fighting, three men were stabbed to death when a group of blacks attacked a private home, police said.

In two other incidents, a group of blacks stabbed a woman to death and a private vehicle was set afire, killing the only occupant, the unrest report said.

The sketchy police unrest statement covers incidents reported during the previous 24 hours, but gives few details.

## Armenians protest at Kremlin ruling

## Half a million rally in Yerevan

MOSCOW, July 30. (Reuters): Nearly half a million people rallied in the Armenian capital of Yerevan last night to protest at a recent Kremlin ruling in an ethnic dispute and demand better environmental protection.

Residents of the city, contacted today by telephone from Moscow, said between 300,000 and 500,000 people took part in the rally — the first of its size since Moscow ruled against Armenia's claims on part of neighbouring Azerbaijan.

"People there expressed their displeasure over the decision and also their alarm at the growing ecological problems in our republic," one Armenian said. "But the rally went off peacefully with no police intervention."

The gathering, outside the Matenadaran library of ancient manuscripts, came at the end of a week during which Armenians largely returned to work follow-

ing strikes in support of their claims to the Azerbaijani region of Nagorno-Karabakh.

After months of unrest in both transcaucasian republics, including an anti-Armenian pogrom in the Azerbaijani city of Sumgait that left 32 dead, the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet ruled on July 18 there could be no territorial changes.

**Strikes**  
Soviet Television has reported that despite disappointment over the decision, strikes had also been halted in Stepanakert, the capital of Nagorno-Karabakh whose population is some 75 per cent Armenian and had sought to join Armenia.

The return to work in Armenia followed an appeal by the new Communist Party leadership, which had supported the claims on Nagorno-Karabakh, and warnings from the authorities in

Moscow and Yerevan that further disorder would not be tolerated.

The Yerevan residents said that among complaints voiced at last night's rally was the fact that a number of dismissals of officials in the republic over the past few days were being made "arbitrarily and without consulting the people."

Among the sackings were the removal of the head of the Armenian state committee for television and radio, Stepan Pogonyan, and of the party chief of Leninakan, the republic's second city, for failing to prevent strikes there.

There was no confirmation from officials in Yerevan of the reports on the rally provided by the residents. Government and party offices in the city were closed and an official at the Armenpress news agency said he had no information.

## Two detained for ritual murder of a girl

MARSEILLE, France, July 30. (UPI): Authorities began psychiatric observation today of two men whose alleged heinous crime has shocked all France: The ritual torture-murder of a seven-year-old girl.

Richard Roman, 29, alias "Indian," and Didier Gentil, 25, nicknamed "Tattoo," were held in a prison hospital in Marseille to prevent their committing suicide or being killed by outraged inmates, officials said.

The pair are accused of kidnapping, torturing, raping and killing Celine Jourdan, 7, who disappeared on Tuesday evening from the streets of Mottre-du-Caire, a small village in the Alpes-de-Haute-Provence district of southeast France about 75 miles (120 km) from Marseille.

Her body was found early Wednesday by a dry creek bed after a lengthy search by police and many of the village's 500 residents. By then authorities had already begun to question Roman and Gentil. An elderly woman told them she had seen Gentil talking to the girl before her disappearance.

**Tortured**  
Police said Roman, an agronomist turned goatherd, and Gentil, a drifter, had kidnapped the child, tortured and sexually abused her, then killed her in a sacrificial rite for a cult of which they were the only members.

Hardened police investigators told journalists they became revolted during the interrogation of the two and reconstruction of the crime.

State prosecutor Paul Weisbuch, reading a detailed statement on the crime to the press, interrupted his reading and emotionally commented: "Excuse me. This affair, it is really the height of horror."

The two men were initially held for questioning on a drug charge after hashish was discovered in the farmhouse outside town which the long-haired Roman had occupied for five years. They were formally charged on Friday and transferred to the psychiatric wing of the Baumettes prison.



Protesters wave the Slovenian flag and posters to greet four Slovenes leaving court after they were sentenced for leaking Army secrets. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Yugoslav leaders fail to end ethnic strife in Kosovo

BELGRADE, July 30. (Reuters): A marathon meeting of Yugoslavia's Communist Party leaders ended in disarray today after degenerating overnight into a slanging match between leaders of the biggest republic Serbia, its autonomous province Kosovo and Vojvodina, and the Croatian Republic.

The 21-hour plenum of the party's Central Committee failed to heal a rift at the top level and heard a warning from former party leader Vidoje Zarkovic that Yugoslavia was heading for the sort of turmoil which China experienced in its 1960s cultural revolution.

**Programme**  
Alarmed by growing public unrest over economic austerity policies and nationalist protests over regional polemics, the party Presidium had called the meeting to debate ethnic strife in Kosovo. Kosovo, with a population including 1.7 million ethnic Albanians and about 200,000 Serbs, was rocked in 1981 by bloody Albanian separatist riots and 30,000 Serb-Albanians have fled the region since then, alleging persecution by the Albanian

ethnic majority.

The authorities launched a programme to stabilise Kosovo last year but Serbian party branch leader Slobodan Milosevic says it has not been implemented. He wants constitutional reform to return the two provinces to direct rule by Serbia.

Milosevic has encouraged recent Serbian street protests in Vojvodina to pressure reluctant leaders in the province to accept his plans, and thus boost his chances of controlling Kosovo. This move unleashed an angry public quarrel between the Serbian, Vojvodinian and Kosovo party branches. Milosevic has shown that thousands of Serbs can be mobilised in further protests but he held back plans for a 50,000-strong protest which Serbian activists originally threatened to coincide with the plenum.

As the debate grew heated, Zarkovic said: "We are now in a situation similar to the cultural revolution in China, in which anybody can attack anybody unpunished."

A real political war has flared

up between the leaderships of Serbia and Vojvodina. We have not had such a example in the history of our party," he added. "We must find out who is responsible for the eruption of the conflict."

Zakovic suggested setting up a working group to determine who was responsible for starting the conflict. His proposal was accepted by party leader Stipe Suvor, a Croatian, who is the first amid equals in Yugoslavia's collective party leadership.

The plenum set up a nine-member working group to probe the conflict among central committee members and identify those responsible for planting "islanders and lies."

Its members — one from each of Yugoslavia's six republics and the two autonomous provinces and one from the Army — were relatively unknown younger politicians who have kept out of the squabbling.

Suvor said: "Kosovo is the weakest and potentially most explosive link in our country. The battle for Kosovo and in Kosovo is the battle for Yugoslavia."

## Iraqis see victory in humiliation of Khomeini

BAGHDAD, July 30. (AP): Iraqi officials say their greatest achievement in the war against Iran is in preventing Ayatollah Khomeini from exporting Iran's Islamic revolution throughout the Arab world.

Diplomats in Baghdad say the war also helped unite Iraq and make it a more efficient nation which will be better able to use its vast oil resources in the future, despite the tremendous debt and losses suffered in the eight-year-old war.

The Iraqis clearly view the humiliation of the Iranian leader as the main benefit of the war, which killed an estimated one million Iranians and Iraqis.

**Dangerous**  
"The most important outcome was not the technical victories we scored against the Iranian Army, but rather the entire defeat of the ideological foundation on which the Iranian regime is based," President Saddam Hussein said in a recent speech.

"Khomeinism was not only evil and dangerous to Iraq and

## Bombs dropped

HAKKARI, Turkey, July 30. (Reuters): Two unidentified planes dropped at least 13 bombs near a Turkish village about 15 km (10 miles) from the Iran-Iraq border, witnesses in the area said today.

They said no casualties were reported in the incident yesterday morning, which terrified residents of the village of Ugoze in the southeastern province of Hakkari.

The bombs fell in an open space about two km from Ugoze's cluster of mudbrick homes, the witnesses said, adding that the aircraft appeared to have come from the direction of Iran.

Neither Foreign Ministry nor Hakkari provincial authorities were available for comment today.

The bombing was the most serious border incident since a lone Iranian plane dropped two bombs near a Turkish-Iraqi border crossing in Habur last March, narrowly missing a Turkish village.

## Dukakis criticises Reagan's handling of Pentagon scandal

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky, July 30. (AP): Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis brought his campaign to this state in the generally conservative south today after criticising President Ronald Reagan's administration's handling of the Pentagon scandal.

Vice President George Bush, the certain Republican nominee, in turn challenged Dukakis' contention that the race is about competence rather than ideology.

Bush also planned to hit hard on the issues where Republicans consider Dukakis the weakest — foreign policy and defence — when he goes on the road next week, his campaign said.

**Interior**  
Dukakis, in a Friday appearance, said laissez-faire management by the Reagan Defence Department had contributed to the Pentagon procurement scandal.

"My friends, in a Dukakis administration we're not going to surrender our national security to greed and corruption," Dukakis said. "We're not

going to use our defence dollars to line the pockets of Washington consultants. We're going to pay for the tanks and equipment and training the men and women our armed forces need and deserve."

Earlier, at a Wisconsin news conference, Dukakis said Bush's plan to give a \$1,000 tax credit to families who need day care was inferior to a Democratic-sponsored plan before the Congress.

"I don't know anyone who is serious about child care who thinks that makes sense," Dukakis said of the Bush plan.

**Ideology**  
But he refused to endorse the \$2.5 billion price tag the congressional bill carries.

Bush, appearing Friday at a day care centre in a Washington suburb, touted his programme, saying the problem is too diverse and complicated for a centralised agency to handle. "You have to have choice, parental choice, family choice, and you have to have diversity," he said.

Bush also told reporters the issues in the presidential campaign are still "all blurred out

there right now."

"The Democrats had a good convention, but offered no specifics," Bush said. "My opponent's suggestion that ideology doesn't matter just masks over his far-left philosophy."

"He will keep discussing issues. And when the issues come in focus, the polls will start closing," campaign manager Lee Atwater said, referring to the 18-point lead Dukakis has had over Bush in polling since the Democratic national convention.

At the White House, meanwhile, presidential spokesman Martin Fitzwater accused Dukakis of being "for a weaker defence," a contention that the Dukakis campaign quickly challenged.

Also on Friday, Reagan approved a 30-day extension of secret service protection for Jackson, at a cost Reagan estimated at \$600,000. Fitzwater said the extension addressed Jackson's concerns about threats against his life but would not last through the fall campaign.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Death toll rises

NEW DELHI, July 30. (AP): At least 12 more deaths from cholera and gastro-enteritis were reported today, bringing the death toll from water-borne diseases to over 200 in the capital since the start of the month.

A city health official said the 12 deaths were reported from city hospitals, where more than 4,500 people suffering from the diseases have sought admission. New Delhi's top administrator resigned yesterday, apparently after he was pressured to do so for failing to contain the epidemic.

## Military ranks

BEIJING, July 30. (AP): China will restore a military rank system abolished by Mao Tse-Tung 23 years ago as part of its attempt to turn China into a classless society.

Reporting the development today, the official Xinhua news agency also said more than 100,000 scientists, teachers and other specialists who are now military officers will become civilians on Aug. 1, Army Day.

In another innovation, a ceremony was held today reviving the bestowing of medals on military veterans.

## Greek election

ATHENS, July 30. (Reuters): The next general election in Greece will be held on June 18, 1989. Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu announced late yesterday.

He gave the date at a meeting of the central committee of his Pasok Party.

The last election was held in 1985, when Pasok won 46 per cent of the vote.

## Wreckage of plane found

BEIRUT, July 30. (AP): The mainstream Shiite Amal militia said today fishermen have found the wreckage of a British warplane off south Lebanon's Mediterranean coast.

An Amal spokesman urged British authorities to send experts to the fishermen's coastal town of Sarafand to take delivery of the wreckage and parts of the pilot's skeleton found in the damaged cockpit.

The spokesman said the World War II warplane was found late yesterday near Sarafand, 37 miles (60 kilometres) south of Beirut. He said the plane's wreckage was "stuck" in a fisherman's net about two miles (four kilometres) off the Sarafand coast.

## Information

"The fisherman, Hassan Salim, didn't know what was the heavy object in his net. He called other fishermen to help him and it took them about five hours to bring the plane's wreckage to the surface," the spokesman said.

"Our experts are certain that it is the wreckage of a British warplane from World War II days," the spokesman added, without further elaboration on the maker or type.

## Discord over direct talks delays truce

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situation," he said.

In Baghdad, meanwhile, the government reaffirmed its insistence on direct talks between Iran and Iraq as the first step in peace negotiations before a ceasefire.

Iraqi Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Saadoun Hamadi said that Iraq is "keen to implement" the UN Security Council ceasefire resolution.

**Measure**  
But he said Iraq favours enacting the measure "in its sequence and believes that direct negotiation is the sound beginning and shortest way to ensure complete and lasting peace."

Hamadi said Iraq's demand for direct talks was "not making preconditions but rather stating the obvious."

Meanwhile a team of UN truce experts, headed by Lieutenant General Martin Vades of Norway, started talks with Iraqi officials in Baghdad today on the issue of troop withdrawals and repatriation of prisoners of war.

The team, which arrived in Baghdad from Tehran yesterday is to report to the UN chief at the conclusion of their talks in Baghdad and Tehran.

In Dhaka, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said that Bangladesh will send a military delegation to help oversee peace between Iran and Iraq in the Gulf.

He said the United Nations had asked Dhaka to contribute to a truce team planned to monitor a ceasefire.

Poland has also expressed interest in sending observers to the Gulf.

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Dukakis talks to reporters through a fence in Flint, Michigan, during a campaign tour. (Reuters wirephoto)



## Fire guts Cairo gold shops

CAIRO, July 29. (Reuters): Shop-owners fled 37 gold and silver workshops in panic as explosions and fire gutted part of a 500-year-old building in Cairo's tourist resort.

Damage was estimated at \$50 million by the owners of the complex. Police said the shops specialising in hand-engraved copper trays, leather souvenirs and jewellery were evacuated after the fire erupted on Thursday.

"A leaking cylinder exploded and 30 minutes later I heard another explosion followed by at least two more explosions... I ran away from the shop," said Nasser Ahmed, a 23-year-old silver-smith.

Shop-owners at the complex known as Selhadar Khani later searched charred debris trying to salvage some of their valuables. Police are still investigating the blaze which gutted the 37 workshops.

## Rare fossils destroyed

BEIJING, July 29. (Reuters): Tons of valuable fossils in Inner Mongolia have been dug up, smashed and sold by looters believing them to be medicinal "dragon bones." The Guangming Daily said today.

The newspaper said hundreds of peddlers and smugglers had descended on sites in Qinghai province to dig up animal and plant fossils which they ground to powder for sale as traditional Chinese medicine.

It said looters did severe damage to the sites, led by local government officials who issued "excavation permits" for 40 huan (\$11) apiece.

The traditional Chinese medicine trade also threatens some protected species, since the most highly prized medicines depend on rare ingredients such as deer antler, bear paw, or panda penis.



Egyptian policemen inspect the remains of a silver workshop in Cairo's famous tourist bazaar of Khan Al Khalili yesterday after a fire, apparently caused by a gas cylinder explosion, gutted the workshop and 36 others. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Thailand gets elected premier

BANGKOK, July 29. (Reuters): Former general and foreign minister Chatichai Chulhavan, now one of Thailand's top businessmen, said he would take over from Prem Tinsulanonda as prime minister.

Chatichai told reporters he was confident of creating a stable government out of a coalition of five parties which emerged as the strongest parliamentary group after a general election last Sunday.

He will be Thailand's first elected prime minister since 1976 when the leader of the Democrat Party, Seni Pramot, was ousted in a military coup.

Chatichai, a stocky, greying man of 69, heads the wealthy Chat Thai Party. He was a deputy premier in the last govern-

ment of Prem, a former Army chief who served as a compromise choice for multi-party coalitions for the last eight years. He was speaking at his home last night after consulting leaders of the other four parties — the Social Action Party, the Democrat Party, Rassadorn Party and the United Democratic Party.

"I am very confident this coalition can form a stable government," he said. He was due to formally submit his name as the candidate for prime minister to president of parliament today. It would be forwarded to the king for approval.

Chart Thai won 87 seats in the election and the coalition parties command 215 out of the total of 357 seats.

## Zia's claim inaccurate, says Yaqub Khan

# Soviets not returning to Kabul

WASHINGTON, July 29. (Reuters): Pakistani Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan recanted on Thursday his President's claim that Soviet troops were being sent back to Afghanistan.

Yaqub Khan, here for talks with US Secretary of State George Shultz to chart strategy during the Soviet pullout from Afghanistan, also said that once Soviet troops leave Afghanistan "the chips can fall where they may."

### Mistake

The two men met at the State Department for private talks after Yaqub Khan said claims by Pakistani President Mohammed Zia-ul-Haq last week that Moscow was reintroducing troops into Afghanistan were based on mistaken information.

Yaqub Khan, in an interview with the Washington Times, said: "The information given to our President was inaccurate and further verification showed that there has been no increase of

strength as had been indicated."

He told reporters after meeting Shultz that the information, which came from a United Nations official, Benji Sevan, who had talks with Soviet officials in Kabul, was "a mistake" and the United States and Pakistan should now look beyond the Soviet withdrawal.

Soviet Chief of Staff Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev had dismissed Zia's assertion as "pure slander" and US officials accepted Akhromeyev's word.

Afghan President Najibullah was quoted on Thursday as saying about half the Soviet troops in his country had already left under UN-mediated accords.

The official Bakhtar news agency said he made the comment in remarks to a group of Afghan guerrillas visiting Kabul under government safe conduct guarantees to celebrate Eid Al Adha.

He told them there were no Soviet troops now in 19 of Afgh-

anistan's 31 provinces, Bakhtar said.

Bakhtar, monitored in Islamabad, quoted Najibullah as telling the group of 342 rebels the withdrawal was progressing "in conformity with the fixed time-frame."

"Around half of the Soviet forces have already returned to the Soviet Union" he said.

### Rockets

Afghan rebels fired 18 rockets at the eastern Afghan city of Jalalabad killing seven people and wounding six, the Soviet news agency Tass reported on Thursday.

Two women and three children were among the dead, it said.

In the past few days there were 18 shelling and raids in six Afghan provinces, including Kabul province, the report said.

Some people had been killed and others wounded, the report added. No figures were given.

Meanwhile, a Soviet spokes-

man on Thursday denied a Reuters report from Pakistan that three Soviet officers had been captured and another killed by anti-government rebels near Herat in western Afghanistan.

"This report does not correspond in any way to reality," Vadim Perilyev of the Foreign Ministry told a news briefing. He said the ministry had checked with the Soviet Army command in Afghanistan which reported no such incident took place.

The Reuters report, from Quetta, quoted a rebel field commander Mohammad Sarwar of the Jamiat-e-Islami as saying on Wednesday that he had seen the three officers who he said had been captured while swimming in the Shindand area 80 km south of Herat.

Perilyev told the news briefing he was surprised that Reuters "uses such unverified and questionable sources."

He also hinted that Moscow might be ready to meet Afghan rebels about Soviet servicemen held by the insurgents.

## ICAO team in Iran to probe plane downing

NICOSIA, July 29. (Reuters): Iran said a five-man team from the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) arrived in Tehran today to investigate the downing of an Iranian airliner by a US warship with the loss of 290 lives.

The Iranian news agency IRNA said the team would visit the site where the Iran Air Airbus crashed on July 3 near Hangam Island at the Hormuz Strait in the entrance to the Gulf.

It was hit by at least one missile fired by the US cruiser Vincennes while on a flight from Iran's southern port of Bandar Abbas to Dubai across the Gulf.

Washington said the ship mistook the plane for an Iranian F-14 Tomcat fighter on an attack run, but Iran said it was a deliberate act and requested a probe by ICAO.

The UN agency oversees safety of international airlines and sets standards for civil aviation.

Iran also took the issue to the UN Security Council which on July 20 issued a resolution expressing deep regret over the loss of life but not condemning the United States.

On Thursday, a US Defence Department spokesman said a US team of investigators had ended its probe of the incident and an unclassified version of its report would be released after it was studied by Defence Secretary Frank Carlucci.

## Jordan scraps W. Bank development plan

# Arafat to visit Amman shortly

AMMAN, July 29. (Reuters): Jordan expects PLO leader Yasser Arafat to visit Amman next week following the kingdom's cancellation of its development plan for the occupied West Bank, a senior Jordanian official said.

The official told local reporters Jordan also planned to dissolve its lower house of parliament, whose 60 seats are equally shared by representatives from the East and West Banks.

The official said Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, would discuss the basis for future Palestinian relations with Jordan, now that the kingdom had partially disengaged itself from the Israeli-held West Bank.

The Jordanian government announced earlier on Thursday it was abandoning its development plan, launched in 1986, because it wanted to ally suspicions about

its motives.

The official said Jordan was also willing to discuss with the PLO how the two sides could assist a seven-month-old Palestinian uprising in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

King Hussein invited Arafat to Amman in March, but the PLO chief has so far stayed away.

Relations have been uneasy since the collapse in February 1986 of a Jordan-PLO accord on a joint approach to Middle East peace talks.

### Changes

Political sources said cabinet changes to reduce the number of ministers from the West Bank were also planned.

A cabinet statement, carried by the state-run news agency Petra, said Jordan had abandoned the development plan in

response to wishes expressed by Arafat at an Arab League summit in Algiers in June.

The PLO has long opposed the five-year development scheme as a strategy for boosting Amman's influence among Palestinians in the West Bank.

The cabinet said it decided to cancel the plan after discussing how to "highlight the Palestinian identity, allow the PLO to shoulder its full responsibilities ... and end any misinterpretation of any effort Jordan makes to sustain the steadfastness of the Palestinian people under occupation."

Diplomats say Jordan reviewed its policy partly because the Palestinian uprising in the West Bank and Gaza Strip has eroded pro-Jordanian sentiment there.

Jordanian political sources said King Hussein was weary of being accused of trying to compete with the PLO for support.

## Kim urges US to help reunite Korea

TOKYO, July 29. (UPI): In a continuing diplomatic offensive, North Korean President Kim Il Sung appealed to the United States and South Korea to accept a North proposal for dialogue on reunification of the two Koreas, the news agency said.

The two Koreas have been divided since the end of World War II and never signed a peace treaty following the 1950-53 Korean war.

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North Korea began its peace offensive July 21, when the North Korean parliament, the Supreme People's Assembly, proposed talks with South Korea's parliament to discuss a non-aggression pact.

Leaders of South Korea's major political parties accepted the North Korean offer the following day.

National Assembly officials said a South Korean letter proposing the talks will be delivered to North Korea through Panmunjom, the border truce site, on Monday.

## First anniversary of peace accord

# 11 die in Sri Lanka violence

COLOMBO, July 29. (AP): Ten Sinhalese extremists and a soldier were killed and militants torching buses on the first anniversary of an accord aimed at ending Tamil separatist violence, police said today.

Most shops, offices and businesses were closed in Colombo, the capital, and its suburbs. Police said people were afraid to open their businesses because of possible violence by Sinhalese radicals opposed to the Indian-brokered peace accord.

A 24-hour curfew went into effect this morning in the island's south after radical Sinhalese nationalists called for a general strike.

Residents in the northern city of Vavuniya said by telephone that Indian soldiers also declared curfews in some areas in the

island's north and east until Sunday morning to prevent attacks by Tamil rebels.

The peace accord is opposed both by Tamil rebels fighting for five years for independence in the north and east of the island and by the Peoples Liberation Front, an extremist group from the island's majority Sinhalese community which believes the pact makes too many concessions to the minority. The Tamils say it does not meet their demands for independence.

Ten men were killed by police in separate incidents in which Sinhalese extremists tried to attack government property, a police spokesman said. He said a Sinhalese Sri Lankan soldier was fatally shot in a battle with extremists in Hambantota district in the south.

In southern and central Sri Lanka, strongholds of the Sinhalese extremists, at least eight government-owned buses were set afire last night and this morning, the police spokesman said.

Electricity supplies to at least four towns in southern Sri Lanka were cut last night after Sinhalese extremists blew up electrical transformers, he said.

A railroad engineer was injured when his train was hit by a firebomb as it pulled into Colombo, police said. Only few government-owned or private buses were seen running.

In the island's north, nearly 50,000 Indian soldiers deployed under the peace accord were put on alert after Tamil rebels called for a demonstration to protest the peace pact.

On Thursday, 14 Sinhalese farmers were killed by Tamil rebels near Padaviya village, northeast of Colombo.

The peace accord, signed by India and Sri Lanka on July 29, 1987, calls for the government to grant limited autonomy to minority Tamils in exchange for the rebels giving up their fight for a separate Tamil nation.

## Burmese students stage protest

RANGOON, July 29. (Reuters): About 200 students demonstrated at Rangoon's Shwedagon pagoda on Thursday in the first display of opposition in the capital since Sein Lwin took over as the country's socialist leader on Tuesday.

Witnesses said today the students staged their protest as crowds gathered at Burma's holiest pagoda for the start of a Buddhist religious festival.

The students demanded recognition of their union by the end of August but did not say what they might do if this was refused. There were no reports of police intervention.

Students have been in the vanguard of popular unrest across the country during the past five months. Diplomats say the unrest claimed the lives of more than 200 people and led to last week's resignation of Ne Win, who ruled with an iron hand for 26 years.

The Shwedagon pagoda, whose gold-clad spire dominates the Rangoon skyline, was briefly taken over by students during bloody riots in the capital in June.

Authorities reported on Thursday that police opened fire in the northern district of Myade, about 320 km north of Rangoon. They killed one man and injured five, after stone-throwing rioters rampaged through the streets.

## UN helping Palestinians rebuild their camps

BEIRUT, July 29. (AP): The United Nations Relief and Works Agency is helping thousands of Palestinians rebuild their devastated camps after years of factional warfare that killed 1,727 people and wounded 4,127.

The Beirut camps, which were heavily damaged by Israel's invading Army in 1982, have been pulverised by PLO dissidents and Shiite Muslim militias in the last three years.

The Shatilla camp, once the home for 6,500 refugees, is in ruins. The nearby sprawling Bourj El Barajneh shantytown also has sustained heavy destruction.

UNRWA teams have launched what they called "a cleaning campaign" to encourage thousands of refugees, who fled the latest round of warfare between rival Palestinian factions, to return to their Beirut shanties.

The agency's director in Lebanon, Franke de Jonge, a Dutchman, said on Thursday about 134 Palestinian families have so far returned to their shacks in Shatilla. A larger number went back to Bourj El Barajneh, he said.

Jonge said a similar campaign has been conducted in 10 other refugee camps throughout Lebanon.

UNRWA personnel were seen on Thursday patching up holes in Shatilla caused by shells and rockets. Some were removing debris blocking the dusty alleys, while others repaired blown-out water pipes, cleaned sewage and collected garbage.

"We are so grateful to UNRWA. We never thought of returning to our home before UNRWA's help, which boosted our morale," said 41-year-old housewife Zeina Fahoum as she was removing the rubble from her home in Shatilla.

UNRWA has distributed some 500 seedlings to Shatilla's children to plant them in front of their shacks "so that the kids will look after the trees," Jonge said as he was removing a pile of rubble in Shatilla.

Shatilla, or what was left of it from the earlier battles, was virtually flattened after guerrillas of Col. Saad Mousa's Fatah-uprising faction overran it on June 27, ousting Yasser Arafat's Fatah loyalists.

Although Beirut's other major camp, Bourj El Barajneh, sustained less damage, many of its shelters are uninhabited because of large shell holes. Arafat's men were driven out of Bourj El Barajneh after it fell to the dissidents on July 8.

At least 127 people have been killed and 527 wounded in the bloody two-month power struggle that began last May between the dissidents and Arafat's loyalists for control of the Beirut camps.

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## Trade unions urged to accept modern methods

THE chairman of the trade union of the government sector, Murtadha Al Wasm, called on the Kuwaiti trade unions to review several issues and accept modern methods compatible with the trade union movements of the present age.

He recommended that the 5th congress of the Kuwaiti Trade Union scheduled to take place in October this year should adopt the relevant resolutions to achieve the above aims.

In an interview with a local daily, Al Wasm said the resolutions should reflect the electoral sessions, the unification of the by-laws and the centralisation of financial accounts for all unions.

The official added that the resolutions should include programmes for foreign relations, clarifying relations between the union and other friendly unions, the setting up of a specific programme for undertaking various issues of the trade unions and the drawing up of necessary directives for conducting the operations of the union.

## Insurance scheme proposed

# Health Ministry keeps watch on doctors

THE Undersecretary of the Ministry of Public Health, Dr Nael Al Nageeb yesterday said that the ministry investigates complaints published in the local press regarding medical services and mistakes of doctors.

He added that if it is proved that the mistake was a result of ignorance or negligence on the part of the doctor, appropriate action is taken by the ministry.

### Follow-up

The official stressed that the ministry continually follows-up, evaluates, inspects and supervises doctors, but added that medical mistakes will occasionally occur as doctors are humans and not infallible.

However, he advised the public to complain directly to the ministry in the event of any complaint instead of first approaching the press and promised that the ministry would take appropriate action on receiving any complaint in this respect. Al Nageeb proposed an

insurance scheme against the profession's risks and said that this had the support of the ministry and doctors with a view to ensure and preserve the rights of the patients.

### Categorised

The director of the Sabah Medical Centre, Dr Mohammad Al Bader categorised mistakes as those occurring due to lack of knowledge on the part of doctors especially on new or rare diseases and others due to negligence.

Elucidating, he said, in Kuwait, the Ministry of Public Health is still responsible for any mistakes committed by doctors, while, in other countries, insurance companies took responsibility. Al Bader called for the establishment of a specialised technical commission in addition to a judge to determine the responsibility of mistakes.

The head of the surgery department at Sabah Medical Centre, Dr Saddam Sabri supported the

view that it is not possible for the Ministry of Health to continue paying compensation for doctors' mistakes and called for adopting an insurance scheme. He disclosed that according to international statistics, three per cent of mistakes in hospitals are caused by doctors' ignorance as compared to two per cent in Kuwait.

### Contacted

On the same topic, the Assistant Undersecretary in the Ministry of Public Health and Director of the Kuwait Institute for Medical Specifications, Dr Abdullah Al Refai said that insurance has become part of any doctor's professional risk and added that in almost all countries, insurance companies cover doctors and compensate patients for their mistakes.

The official disclosed that last year, he contacted a non-profit British establishment working in the field of insuring doctors in



Dr Nael Al Nageeb

England and abroad.

The establishment agreed to insure over 3,000 doctors working in Kuwait against an annual minimal charge and commented that before the end of this year, we hope to come out with a complete project to cover all doctors in Kuwait in an insurance scheme.

## Sheikh Sabah returns after conveying good wishes

ACTING Premier and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed yesterday returned following a few hours visit to Saudi Arabia.

During his visit to Riyadh, Sheikh Sabah conveyed good wishes of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed and His Highness the Crown Prince and Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah to the Amir of Bahrain Sheikh Issa Bin Salman Al Khalifa who is currently there on a private visit.

Sheikh Sabah also expressed best wishes to the Bahraini Prime Minister Sheikh Khalifa Bin Salman who had undergone a surgery in the Saudi capital.

The Amir of Riyadh Prince Salman Bin Abdul Aziz and Bahraini foreign and interior ministers saw Sheikh Sabah off at the airport.

## ROYAL COURT

### Amiri cable

HH the Amir received yesterday acting Premier and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed.

## KUWAIT PRESS DIGEST

### Iraq's legitimate right

THE daily Al Anba, said in an editorial it is Iraq's legitimate right to demand guarantees for just and lasting peace in the Arabian Gulf region.

It stressed that face-to-face talks are necessary to approving ways to enforce UN Security Council resolution 598 ordering peace between the Gulf belligerents according to the sequence of its operational articles.

It pointed out that direct negotiations would allow the sides to lay the framework of future ties, which should be neighbourly, equitable and friendly.

"We don't know why Iranian leaders fear direct talks, but signs indicate that they are offering a truce that gives them a breathing space and enables them to rebuild their shattered armed forces with a view to launching fresh aggressions," the paper said.

Al Anba emphasised that Iraq has realised Iran's real intentions, and is warning itself hard to fail them.

"It is either one of two, peace or war," concluded the paper.

## China takes measures to halt sale of silkworms

BEIJING, July 30: A high-ranking Chinese official has said that China has taken strict measures to prevent its silkworm missiles from being sold from any other source possessing them.

China has also stopped selling the missiles, he added.

The Assistant Foreign Minister of China Yang Fu Chang described his country's relations with Kuwait as "an example of bilateral international relations." He was talking to a Kuwaiti press delegation visiting China.

### Regretted

On the issue of the Chinese silkworm missiles being used against Kuwait, the official regretted the incident and added that China had expressed its sympathy with Kuwait. The Chinese government had always been against the expansion of the Gulf war so as not to reach a peaceful country like Kuwait, he said.

The minister said that the Chinese government followed and is still following the silkworm missiles issue with due concern and attention and had sent a special envoy to Kuwait last July and found a great deal of understanding from the Kuwaiti leadership to the Chinese position.

Fu Chang disclosed that the Kuwait-Chinese relations were good even prior to the official establishment of diplomatic ties and that HH the Amir visited China in the early 70s when he was the Crown Prince. Thousands of Chinese engineers are working in Kuwait and the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development has established several projects in China he said.

### Relations

The official speaking on bilateral relations between Kuwait and China said these are quickly improving and called on Gulf tourists and investors to visit China as the foreign investment law provided lots of incentives and opportunities to foreign investors.

The Chinese official informed a group of Kuwaiti reporters visiting China that his country supports the efforts of the UN Secretary-General to implement the Security Council Resolution 598 concerning the Iraq-Iran war and added that his country looks to this resolution as an expression of a comprehensive international wish as the best formula to solving the conflict.

On China's relations with the GCC member states, he said that his country's relations are good and China is always willing to improve and strengthen these ties. He added that China maintains diplomatic relations with



Fu Chang

some GCC states and good commercial relations with others.

He described the Iraq-Iran war as regrettable, especially as it was between two Muslim neighbours. He stressed that China took a neutral stand and had exerted a lot of effort to bring about a peaceful settlement.

### Convince

China sent a special envoy last summer to Tehran to try and convince Iran to accept the UN Resolution 598 as China had taken an active part in formulating this resolution.

He refuted as lies and fabrications the news that China is planning an armament co-operation with Iran and Israel and stressed that facts will prove otherwise. Additionally, he pointed out that China does not maintain any diplomatic relations with Israel. He expressed total support for the Palestinian uprising and cited the Chinese media's particular attention to this issue.

## Doctors urged to diagnose accurately

DR SAMI MATAR, the director of the primary health care department and of Farwaniya health area, has said that doctors should diagnose patients accurately before giving them medicine and rejected the excuse that the large numbers of patients doctors have to deal with made inaccurate diagnoses inevitable.

He added that medicine is a human science which means that the doctor must be able to inspire confidence in his patients regarding the treatment he gives them.

Commenting on the delays for hospital appointments, Dr Matar said that this certainly did not apply to urgent cases, who received immediate attention.

He added, however, that delays were often caused by patients' demands for surgery in holiday periods when clinics and hospitals were under-staffed.

He admitted that some people made use of waste (influence) to jump the queue for hospital treatment, which he said was not only highly unfair but also illegal.

He pointed out that the ambulance service was much improved compared to what it was and that drivers were trained

and experienced in first aid.

He went on to note that the ministry had begun a new system of health registration in the Amiri health area. This will involve each citizen having a separate health card, which will replace the old system of one file for each family.

The new system depends on information provided by the Authority for Civil Information. Once the new system has been implemented throughout Kuwait, any patient who goes for treatment at a health centre outside his health area will be charged a fee of two dinars, except in cases of emergency.

### Health check

The ministry also plans to conduct a full-scale health check on all citizens and expatriates in Kuwait after the new system has been completed.

Dr Sami Matar also said that the ministry had plans to open health centres in distant areas of Kuwait and to increase the number of medical staff at present centres.

He stressed that Farwaniya health area was particularly under-provided for, considering that it serves 23 per cent of Kuwait's population.

## Delay in processing petitions

A LOCAL daily conducted an opinion poll to determine the causes for petitions being continually delayed at various government establishments.

Citizens and residents unanimously agreed that delays are jointly caused by petitioners and employees.

### Negligent

Some petitioners did not comply with regulations and some employees were negligent in performance of their duties. However, some said that "waste" plays an important role in speeding up the work process of petitions.

However, some petitioners said that delays in paper work do not occur at all departments as some departments have smoothly adapted to paper work requirements.

Ali Mohammad claims that many finger printing papers were unduly delayed, the department was unorganised and one had to wait endlessly to complete simple formalities. He recounted the occasions when "waste" produced lightning results and called on officials to stop this

phenomenon.

Hassan Al Matrouk says most petitioners are faced with delays, particularly, at the Passports and Citizenship Department. He said, a basic lack of co-operation between petitioners and employees is the main cause for such delays.

Rashid Al Methan complained about the delays at the finger printing department due to the negligence of the employees resulting in an individual having to visit the department several times to obtain his I.D. He called on officials to monitor the department's activities.

### UMO cancels Onam festival

THE United Malayalee Organisation has decided to cancel the Onam celebrations this year. The decision was made in response to the recent train accident in Kerala. It was felt that at such a sorrowful time, it would be insensitive to proceed with the Onam festival.

## Safeguarding planes

# Kuwait signs agreement with US

KUWAIT'S Minister of State for Services Affairs Issa Mohammad Al Mazidi yesterday said that Kuwait has signed an agreement with the US to safeguard the commercial airlines and passengers in airports and air space of both countries.

In an interview with daily "Al Watan" published here, Al Mazidi said that Kuwait, by signing such an accord, acts in accordance with its membership at the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO).

### Law

Within this context, the Kuwaiti minister said that his country will issue an anti-air terrorism law within the coming few weeks, in a step to deal with air piracy incidents against Kuwaiti planes, the last of which was the hijacking of "Al Jaberiya" in April, the longest such mishap in history.

He noted that the new law is still under the consideration by the Justice Ministry, and in case approval was granted, the law will be referred to the cabinet to voice its opinion.

### Affirmed

Relating to the same issue, Al Mazidi affirmed that Kuwait has not decided to boycott any Asian airport as a result of the investigations into Al Jaberiya's skyjacking incident, but said that the authorities are re-considering a number of agreements with Asian airlines, such as those of Thailand, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Philippines.

He warned that Kuwait will not allow a repeat of Al Jaberiya's tragedy and it will take all necessary measures in case any negligence toward protecting its planes and passengers was detected in any airport around the globe.



Al Mazidi

Regarding the issue of levying fees on those departing Kuwait, Mazidi said that this project is still being studied, indicating that the proposed charges will range from one to two dinars.

## Communications capacity will be doubled

AN official source at the Ministry of Communications said the telecommunication aerial tower which is presently being built will double current communications capabilities to meet present and future expansion services and developments.

The new centre is located close to the present building at the city centre and is designed in the form of a rectangle with an estimated height of 61 metres comprising 13 stories including the basement.

### Expansion

The present building was provided to the ministry in the late 60s when buildings were built with a maximum of five stories requiring 12 to 15 phone lines. However, the expansion of high rises in the city centre resulted in an increased demand for phone services as each high rise required about 150 to 200 phone lines.

The source added that high rise buildings have affected the quality of radio and microwave communications between the telecommunication centre and

different areas.

The new addition is designed on similar fashions and both buildings will operate jointly as one. Both the southern and northern fronts of the building will consist of offices, the rest of the stories comprising telecommunication installations and other related facilities.

### Project

The third stage of the project consists of the public library building which will occupy the southern and eastern side of the aerial tower. At the same time it will include public services connected with telecommunication services such as phone, telegrams, telex, photowire and fax.

The same stage will also include a receiving hall, a meeting hall, libraries, besides a medical centre and an exhibition hall. The basement will consist of two parking lots each with an estimated capacity for 230 cars. External see through elevators will be provided from the floor level up to the third floor of the building.

The source added that the

aerial tower will give visitors an opportunity to see city features and four other elevators will be provided all around the tower.

The first part of the tower will have a height of 372 metres comprising concrete beams. The second part of the tower is fabricated in steel and will consist of two radio transmitting stations and a meteorological station and a hazard guide.

The source pointed out that the new communications complex is designed to cover Kuwait's telecommunication requirements up to the year 2005 and beyond.

## Consumers urged to report

CONSUMERS were urged yesterday to report to the Trade and Industry Ministry any incident of cheating in price or weight by shopkeepers.

The ministry's Consumers Protection Department said in a statement it had set up 13 centres where the public can report such fraudulent practices.

The ministry has previously instructed stores and shopkeepers to stick price tags to basic commodities in a move to keep cost of living under control.

The department further called on consumers to ascertain the price and the weight of the commodity they are buying.

## Sewage treatment

A RESPONSIBLE source at the Ministry of Public Works has said that the establishment of sewage treatment stations in a number of areas is being studied.

He added that there were four stations at present to treat sewage water in Ardiya, Jahra, Rigga and Failaka.

He pointed out that the stations are designed to receive and

treat large quantities of sewage. Jahra, for example, receives about 35,000 cubic metres of sewage per day.

Commenting on the problem of unpleasant smells emitting from Ardiya station, the source said that this had been caused by the fact that the station had reached its capacity of 155,000 cubic metres of sewage.

# Bush's Mideast policy similar to Reagan's

(Continued from Page 1)

willing to co-exist with Israel." He also emphasises that Israel should be prepared "to support our interests in the region alone if necessary to protect the security of the US."

But the bulk of the position paper seeks to highlight the special US-Israeli relationship "built during the Reagan-Bush administration."

### Status

"The evolution of Israel's political status with the US from a threatened dependent to that of an ally and regional partner of the US is a crucial transformation," Bush says.

He repeats the oft-stated declaration by the Reagan administration that Israel is a "strategic ally" of the US, pledges "sustained security and economic assistance, and expansion of the existing elements of strategic co-operation."

The Republican presidential candidate-to-be, pledges that the US "will never allow the United Nations or any other multilateral institution to place Israel's or America's security interests at

risk." Bush makes his position on the Palestinians clear by stressing the following:

"We oppose the creation of an independent Palestinian state. Its establishment is inimical to the security interests of Israel, Jordan, and the US. We will not support the creation of any Palestinian entity that could place Israel's security in jeopardy."

### Viable

"Direct negotiations are the only viable means of securing peace between Israel and its neighbours. The US cannot and will not impose a settlement nor will we be a party to any effort to do so through a multilateral entity."

"The US will not support any role in the peace process for the PLO unless it recognises Israel's right to exist, accepts UN Resolutions 242 and 338, renounces (what he calls) terrorism, and removes language from its charter demanding Israel's destruction."

"We believe that the most hopeful course of ending the anguish of the Palestinians is to

re-energise the peace process."

"We recognise that there will never be a lasting peace in the area until an equitable solution to the Palestinian problem is found and that the Palestinians must be involved in every step of the process."

Bush repeatedly refers to the Camp David agreements between Egypt and Israel as a model for any peace settlement.

"American diplomacy can remain flexible by building on the bedrock of the peace which now exists between Israel and Egypt.... The Camp David accords established a model for the peaceful resolution of the Arab-Israeli dispute through direct negotiations with American assistance...." Bush says.

On the question of Jerusalem, Bush states: "We believe that Jerusalem should remain an undivided city with free and unimpeded access to all holy places by people of all faiths."

Quite significantly, Bush does not state that Jerusalem should remain as the capital of Israel as the Israelis claim.

On the Iran-Iraq war, Bush repeats the Reagan administration's position that "the US maintains neutrality in the conflict and supports UN and other regional efforts to bring about an arms embargo and a withdrawal of all military forces behind the pre-1980 boundaries, and a permanent peace settlement."

"The US recognises that neither an Iranian nor Iraqi military victory would be in the US interest in the region," Bush states.

On his position towards the Arabian Gulf region in general, Bush notes the importance of the Gulf as a source of oil and insists that "friendly hands" must remain in control of the Strait of Hormuz must "remain free and open."

Bush strongly defends the deployment of the US naval task force in the Gulf and notes, "it has created political leverage for us which has countered Iranian coercion and helped to sober the Iranian leadership.... It has created the conditions to help bring an end to the Iran-Iraq war."

Bush adds: "Because of the critical importance of the Gulf region, now and for the long term, we will build on the increased security co-operation with the pro-Western Arab states of the Gulf achieved by the Reagan-Bush administration to enhance their security while serving US interests."

### Deal

On the Soviet position in the Middle East region, Bush says, "the Soviet Union (that) we will have to deal with in the Middle East is more sophisticated and more active diplomatically and more credible than at any time in recent years."

He adds: "If the Soviet Union is to have a more constructive role in the region, important changes in its policies need to be made."

He mentions the Soviet Union's arms export policies, its continued support for what he terms the "reactionist Arab states," its refusal to establish normal relations with Israel, and its "reflexive opposition to Israel at the United Nations and other international fora."

## Require

### Male Secretary

with experience in correspondence, telex, fax and office routine. Transferable residence permit is a must.

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## AN APPEAL

### TO ALL INDIANS IN GULF COUNTRIES

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You are aware of the Train tragedy at Perumon bridge near Quilon on 8th July, 1988. Nine bogies were derailed and plunged into the Ashtamudi Lake. 106 innocent lives were lost and several injured. Many are still under treatment in the hospitals. The dead include natives of Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka — complete picture is yet to be traced. It was the second biggest train accident in India the first being the Sashipur-Bennangiri train accident at Patna in 1981.

Loss of life we cannot compensate — loss is eternal especially for the bereaved families. Nonetheless we can give relief to the dear and near ones of those died in the accident by way of cash compensation. Further, rewards should be given to those who did selfless work to save hundreds of lives in the accident and steps taken to ensure safe travel in the area. For this we need money.

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# EVENTS

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## GOING PLACES

### An evening to remember

THE Indian Arts Circle (IAC) arranged an evening of ghazals and dances to celebrate Eid Al Adha on Thursday evening.

The performance was very polished and the only serious difficulty encountered on stage was with the curtains; they refused to part for what seemed an era. Once they did, however, few complaints were heard.

The first part of the programme was devoted to dances commencing with a Mohiniyattam. The 14-year-old Ramalaxmi skilfully portrayed the various emotions, using her eyes and hands to their greatest advantage. The story was based on a paralyzed writer Melpathur Bhattathiri's plea to Krishna to end his misery.

Balram performed a Shiva-tanda next, which involved a good deal of leaping around and provided a sharp contrast to the more subtle dance preceding it.

Nisha, a very young girl, charmed the audience with her dance number.

Balram and Ramalaxmi returned to perform Bharat-nattam and a semi-classical dance about Radha and Krishna.

The three young dancers are talented, but credit has to go to their trainer Pramila Surendra also. By interval time, the audience was obviously impressed. Many were also wondering about the Kerala influence that had thus far pervaded the programme. Publicity for the show had failed to point out that it would be a predominantly Keralite affair. The



Kumar Das (left) and up-and-coming young tabla player Jimmy George.

organisers said more people might have turned up if they had.

The 350-odd members of the audience were enthusiastic and especially so once the ghazals finally got under way after a 10-minute interval that stretched into a half-hour.

The singers, Ambika Surenarayan, Sunny and Abdur Rasheed, were amateurs but the years of training behind them were apparent. Rasheed made a successful, though nervous, stage debut.

Sunny and Ambika are IAC veterans and joined up for a couple of duets: "Jo Waada Kya" from the film Taj Mahal and "Aap Ki

Nazron Ne" from Unpadh. The compere introduced the three artists as the IAC's Lata, Rafi and Kishore and nobody in the audience seemed to want to dispute the claim. One simply had to shut one's eyes and imagine... At certain points, in fact, it was thought preferable to do so.

Surenarayan's expressionless face was somewhat disconcerting, particularly when she sailed through the love-duets without sparing so much as a glance for her partner. Verses along the lines of "I think of you all night" lose much of their impact if the artists are gazing deep into some indiscernible corner of the auditorium.

Another very important star of the evening was little Jimmy George. He too made his stage debut that evening, playing the tabla under the watchful eye of his teacher Kumar Das.

In his speech at the start of the evening, the president of the IAC, Matthews said he hoped the show would be the first in a series of Thursday night performances designed to entertain the members and their guests. He must have been a happy man. The applause at the end — as well as the audience's insistence that the four-hour show be extended — indicated nothing but outright appreciation. ES



Ambika Surenarayan and Sunny, two of the ghazal artists at Thursday evening's IAC show.

## WHAT'S ON

### ARTS

**Kuwait Science Museum**  
The museum will be open to the public every evening from 5 pm and from 9 am on Friday.

**Islamic Arts Museum**  
The museum, located on Arab Gulf Street, is open from 8.30 am to 12.30 noon and 4.30 to 7.30 pm, Saturday to Thursday. A collection of the finest Islamic art objects are on show.

**Tareq Rajab Museum**  
The museum in Jabriya houses a collection of Islamic arts, costumes and jewellery from the Muslim world. Summer timings are 9 am to 12 noon and 4 to 7 pm, Sat thru Thurs. On Friday the museum is open only in the mornings.

### SOCIAL

**German-speaking Cultural Association**  
The regular coffee mornings for ladies will continue on a small scale during the summer months. Coffee mornings will be held on Sunday, August 7 at Kuwait Hilton's La Patisserie from 10 am on those days. All German-speaking women are welcome.

**Bangladesh variety show**  
Bangladeshi children will present a variety performance in mid-September. The date and venue will be announced later. Those interested in taking part, please contact Jayati or Farzana.

**Varca Sporting Centre**  
Varca Sporting Centre will organise an evening of games and entertainment at the Tent SAS on September 22, 1998. Music will be provided by Top Ranks and Next of Kin. Further details later.

### Onam Festival

The Viswabharathi Theatres, Abasiya, will celebrate Onam on Aug 25 at the Indian Arts Circle. IAC President, M. Matthews will be the chief patron. The programme comprises Onam songs, Mohiniyattam, classical dances, Thiruvathirakali, folk dances, light music, one-act play, boat race and Kerala rural arts. Those interested in taking part contact Lazar Varghese — 4314511; Thomas Perumilly — 4810490 ext. 207; Varghese Paradayil — 2422973.

The Y.M.C.A. will present the "Come September Ball" at the Kuwait Sheraton Hotel on September 1. Highlights include the selection of the Queen of Queens. Top Ranks will be in attendance.

**Summer Belle 88**  
The United Goans Centre will hold their annual Summer Belle 88 contest on August 11 at the SAS Hotel's The Tent. The gala event marks the 10th anniversary of UGC. Entertainment includes music by Stepping Stones and City Limits. For further details contact Tony Gonsalves 2612024 or Joe Fernandes 5655140.

**D'Assisi Association**  
The association will hold a social evening-cum-variety show on August 11 at Messilah Beach Hotel. The event is part of the 40th anniversary of Indian independence. Top Ranks and Next of Kin will be in attendance. For details contact Leena — 2469811, 9.30 am to 5 pm; Henry 3291909 (am) 3717346 (pm) or August in 5746754 after 6 pm.

### HOTELS

**At the Holiday Inn**  
Al Ahmadi Coffee Shop

offers Continental and Arabic buffets for breakfast, lunch and dinner from 6 am to 1 am; a la carte also offered. Fresh pastries and cakes can be bought every day at the Viennese Cafe. Light refreshments are available at the Hang Babylon Gardens.

On Wednesday, join the Shahrzad barbecue at the poolside; there will be games, prizes and surprises. On Thursday, enjoy music and food at the Arabian Night at the Al Andalus Supper Club. Al Dana offers a special treat for children at the Friday brunch, open from 11 am to 3 pm.

The recreation club has new fitness courses in aerobics, swimming, yoga and weight-lifting, all manned by professional instructors.

**At the Ramada**  
El Bender Coffee Shop offers continental and Arabic buffets for breakfast, lunch and dinner from 6 am to 12 midnight; a la carte also featured.

The take-away counter, opened daily from 4 pm to 11 pm, offers a selection of Arabic sandwiches and snacks.

The Lobby Lounge offers a selection of coffee, tea, juice, cakes and pastries.

**At the Continental**  
The Darbar offers a daily lunch buffet with a wide range of Indian kebabs and curries. A la carte for dinner.

**At the Meridien**  
La Brasserie offers Friday brunch from 12 noon to 4 pm; also open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Beat the summer heat with cool juices offered in the lobby lounge; musical entertainment is provided in the evenings.

**At the Sheraton**  
Enjoy Italian cuisine and live entertainment by the Sienna's Duo at the Riccardo restaurant. Riccardo is closed on

Fridays. Al Hambra features authentic Lebanese cuisine every Sunday and seafood specialties on Wednesday nights; a sumptuous buffet is offered on Fridays. Live entertainment is provided by the Lords.

The Hunt Room offers a variety of meat and fish preparations and live music by solo harpist Harp Dreams. Arab world specialties are available every Thursday evening at Le Tarbouche. A buffet lunch and dinner is offered on Fridays.

The Coffee Shop features a wide range of international cuisine and has a daily special.

### SPORTS

#### 14th Winners Cup cricket tournament

The YMCA will hold the All Kuwait Open 14th Winners Cup cricket tournament, beginning September. It will be played on Fridays and holidays at the KOC ground, Ahmadi. Teams wishing to participate can contact Joe D'Sa, Tel: 3981790, 3-5 pm; 3924659, 5-8 pm.

#### PBAK bowling tournament

The PBAK inter-commercial bowling tournament will be held in the second week of August. All companies wishing to take part are requested to register on or before August 7 at the 300 Club. For details contact PBAK director Sarah Macarimbang 4843447.

**All entries for the What's On column can be sent by telex (22332) to Events Section or hand delivered daily, except Thursday, from 12 noon to 4 pm, at the Arab Times Office in Shuwaikh. Photographs will also be considered for publication. Phoned-in entries will not be accepted.**

### KTV 1

9.00 Holy Quran  
9.15 Good Morning  
9.30 Space Adventure  
10.00 News Summary  
10.15 Dawa Lil Hub: daily Arabic serial starring Mirvat Amin  
11.00 News Summary  
11.15 Ala Al Dunya Al Salam: Arabic daily serial  
12.15 Hardcastle: English serial  
1.00 News Summary  
1.05 World News via Satellite  
1.50 Variety show  
2.30 Al Sarab: Arabic serial  
3.35 Bill and Sebastian: cartoon  
4.00 News magazine  
4.15 Huna Al Qahera: Arabic film starring

## TELEVISION PROGRAMMES

### KTV 2

Mohammed Subhi and Suad Naser  
6.00 Al Jawharah: a series for children starring Abdul Munim Ibrahim, Mohammad Dafaawi, Wafa Shihab, Huda Essa.  
6.30 General information and official announcements  
7.00 Variety show  
7.50 Wakalat Al Arab  
8.00 Diwanayat Shuara Al Nabat  
9.00 News in Arabic  
9.45 Al Husan: Arabic serial  
10.30 Late Night Variety Show  
11.45 News Summary  
11.50 World today via satellite  
12.25 Holy Quran/Closedown

6.00 Holy Quran  
6.10 Heathcliff  
6.30 3-2-1 Contact: a programme on various types of primitive and developed means of communications  
7.00 Understanding Islam: weekly talk on Muslim philosophy presented by Arafat Al Ashi  
7.30 Valerie: a date — the kind Momma makes — and an unexpected visitor, of the canine variety.  
8.00 News in English  
8.30 The Flying Doctors: changes in the community  
9.30 My Two Dads:

"Once a Son..." Joe opens an art exhibition, but his father asks him to give up such unprofitable business.  
10.00 Hillary's Adventures: an Englishman crosses the ocean in a small rowing boat and a young woman traverses the skies in a balloon.  
10.30 Bestseller: "The Perfect Spy", based on John Le Carre's novel.  
11.30 News Summary/Magazine d'Actualite/Closedown.

Please note that programmes and timings are liable to change without notice.

### NIGHT CHEMIST

**Kuwait**  
Ahlam Pharmacy  
Souk Muttaheda, Fahd Al Salem St.  
Garnati Pharmacy  
Al Rashid Bldg., Fahd Al Salem St.  
**Salamiya and Rumaithiya**  
Al Markiziya Pharmacy  
Asfor Bldg., Omar Bin Al Aas St.

**Hawalli and Nagra**  
Al Kamal Pharmacy  
Tunis St.  
**Fahadhel and Ahmadi**  
Al Fulaj Pharmacy  
Nr. Safeway, Makkah St., Fahadhel  
**Khalitan**  
Al Tawfiq Pharmacy  
Raja'an Commercial Centre, South St.  
**Jahra**  
Al Zahra Pharmacy  
New Market

## CINEMA TODAY



Shashi Kapoor stars in Chori Mera Kaam.

**Al Andalus**  
Rambo III  
Starring: Sylvester Stallone  
**Al Salamiya**  
Reserved for Al Jazira Theatre  
**Al Hamra**  
Lailat Al Qabd Ala Bakiza Wa Zaghoul (Arabic)  
Starring: Suhair Al Babeli, Isaad Younis, Yousef Shaaban  
**Drive-In**  
Asdiqah Al Shaitan (Arabic)  
Starring: Noor Al Shariff, Farid Shawki  
**Al Firdous**  
Chori Mera Kaam (Hindi)  
Starring: Shashi Kapoor  
**Fahadhel Open-Air**  
Aakhri Adaalat (Hindi)  
**Al Fahadhel**  
Carry On England

**Al Jahra**  
Anhonee (Hindi)  
**Granada**  
Daku Rani (Hindi)  
**Sulaibikhat**  
Eat the Rich  
**Al Jeeb**  
Oru Minnaminugente  
Nurrungu-vetom (Malayalam)  
**Ahmadi Drive-In**  
Le Gendarme New York

### PRAYERS

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| Fajr    | 3.39 am |
| Zuhr    | 11.54   |
| Asr     | 3.30 pm |
| Maghreb | 6.40    |
| Isha    | 8.06    |

## RADIO PROGRAMMES

### English

**Morning**  
0800 Opening  
0802 Songs and Music  
0830 News  
0840 Songs and Music  
0845 Daily Programme  
0900 Bands with a beat  
0930 Songs and Music  
1000 Our Press Today  
1005 Songs and Music  
1030 Pick of the Pops  
1100 Closedown  
1330 News on FM Service

**Evening**  
2100 Opening  
2102 The Young Sound  
2130 News  
2145 Point of View  
2155 Songs and Music  
2200 The World of Sports  
2215 In the French Mood  
2245 Daily Programme  
2300 Pop Session Special  
2400 Closedown

### BBC World Services

0800 World News  
09 News about Britain  
15 Radio Newsworld  
30 3rd Play of the Week: Quartermaine's Terms: 10th and 17th Great British Concert Halls; 31st Bernstein: Conductor and Composer  
0100 News Summary (ex 3rd) followed by Play of the Week: 3rd Quartermaine's Terms contd: 10th and 17th La Peste — Parts 1 and 2; 31st Prometheus Bound  
0200 World News  
09 British Press Review  
15 The Third Policeman (ex 3rd Sports world; 10th Midnight Express  
30 The Ken Bruce Show  
0300 World News  
09 News about Britain  
15 From Our Own Correspondent  
20 A Word in Edgeways  
0400 Newsworld  
30 Glyndebourne — The Early Years (ex 3rd The Music of Weber)  
45 Reflections  
50 Financial News  
0500 World News  
09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary  
30 The A-Z of Hollywood  
45 Letter from America  
0600 Newsworld

### FM Services

0800 Easy Listening  
0830 News  
0840 Easy Listening  
1000 Songs and Music  
1300 Easy Listening  
1330 News  
1400 Classical Music  
1600 Easy Listening  
1700 Latin American Hour  
1900 Pops  
1900 Helter Skelter  
2130 News  
2145 Pops  
2200 Jazz Hour  
2300 Easy Listening  
2400 Instrumental Music  
0200 Closedown

### Urdu

1900 Opening  
1910 Behereen Qaid  
1916 Programme Preview  
1920 Songs  
1935 Press Report  
1940 Ek Khayal Ek Geet  
2000 News  
2020 Songs  
2040 Geet Kahani  
2100 Closedown

## Young divers prepare for trip



Haircutting ceremony at Kuwait Sea Sports Club on Thursday.

THE Kuwait Sea Sports Club met on Thursday evening to cut the hair of the young men who will take part in the diving trip scheduled for August 17. The ceremony was attended by the young divers, cap-

tains, officials of the club, and their families. The ceremony is part of a two-month festival that began on July 1. Over 140 people are expected to participate in the festivities.

Hassan Rajab, the chief captain on the trip said that hair-cutting ceremony is a tradition that was practised by Kuwaiti divers in the past, for whom diving was a

lifelong profession rather than a hobby. It is an expression of happiness and includes prayers for the divers for a safe return and a large booty of pearls.



## EDITORIALS

# ARAB TIMES

Thought for today

BEHIND every argument is someone's ignorance —  
Louis Brandeis, US Supreme Court justice (1856-1941).

## OPINION

### End the state of hate

IRAN has tasted the bitter miseries of the war for eight long years.

We do not want to point out that Iran was vanquished, we simply want to stress that Iran has failed to achieve its goals and will never achieve these goals in future because Iraq does not stand alone in this war.

The reasons for this are obvious. The Iranian plan was not aimed at Iraq alone, but at all the countries in this region.

The onus of responsibility lies not with the Iranian people, but, with the Iranian leadership who cajoled and literally pushed their citizens towards an unwanted war. Iran also paid a very high price for its thoughtless adventure and similarly we, too, in the Gulf, were made to dissipate our resources and energies which could have been constructively channelled into construction and development activities.

Now that Iran has accepted peace, we say, let not the road to peace be divided. It should be categorically defined as black or white with no shades of grey in between.

For this to be achieved, it must be accepted that peace cannot be established nor the war stopped without ending the state of hate that primarily was instrumental in causing the war.

Iran is a neighbouring country. Iraq is willing to end the state of war and its psychological effects and these factors should prove conducive towards negotiating a direct meeting between the two sides.

In 1975, Iraq had direct negotiations with the Iranian government and was not at all embarrassed by that in spite of the fact that Iran was still hitting the north of Iraq. On that occasion when Iraq and Iran expressed a desire for peace, Iraq did not hesitate and signed a treaty of goodwill with its neighbour.

Relations returned to normal, until, Khomeini came to power and sought revenge from Iraq and the states of this region who refused to help him by interfering in Iran's internal situation.

Iran must now accept direct negotiations with Iraq in order to remove all traces of hatred and ensure the prevention of war again in the eventuality of any small dispute.

Israel and many other countries who benefitted from the continuing of the war do not desire a direct meeting between Iran and Iraq which would result in an understanding among all the states in the region. The outcome of such a meeting would lead to the creation of an important and resourceful regional power which would have direct bearing on many issues, including, oil prices, and supporting the Palestinian uprising which of late has become so very disturbing and distressing to the Israelis.

It is high time for Iran to realise that these are the very same countries which consistently backed the continuation of the war and pushed Iran to reject all peace efforts in the past.

Iraq and Iran are neighbouring countries and when a superpower like the US can sit for negotiations with the Vietnamese once it decided to end the state of war, we see no reason for two very close neighbours not to emulate this example.

We, in this region, have welcomed and hailed the Iranian decision to accept peace and considered it as wise and courageous. Iran should now demonstrate the same courage and wisdom in accepting a direct meeting with Iraq to pave the way for ending all types of tension in the region and restore goodwill after eight long years of suspicion and hate.

Ahmed Al Jarallah

### Palestinians try to close religious gap

By Ann Peters

BEIT HANINA, Israeli-occupied West Bank, (UPI): A makeshift memorial — in can, withered flowers, black mourning cloth and photograph — stands on the outskirts of occupied Jerusalem near the spot where East Jerusalem's first martyr fell from an Israeli soldier's bullet.

Nidal Rabadi, 16, was a Christian.

Three days and several riots in Arab East Jerusalem later, Muslim Palestinians proclaimed at Friday prayers: "With our soul, with our blood, we will revenge you, Rabadi."

Nearly eight months of almost constant violence to end Israeli control of Arab East Jerusalem and the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strips has forged a greater bond between Christian and Muslim Palestinians than ever before in the history of the Jewish state, observers and Palestinians say.

"Christians, they feel that they are facing the same occupier," said Mohammed Saim, acting president of the Islamic University closed by Israel's military.

"It doesn't differ between Muslims and Christians, because the occupier is the enemy of all of us," Saim said. "We participate with the Christians in their suffering and pain, and they participate in ours."

Attempts have been made in

the past to pull Christian and Muslim Palestinians together, including annual two-faith conferences since 1983. But common suffering has tied the two religions together more.

A common theme of the "intifada," Arabic for "uprising," is: "Two religions, one nation."

"They say 'watch out for the Muslims.' Why?" asked Bethlehem businessman Nicola Canavati. "We are in faith Christians, but we are Palestinians. They are Muslims in faith, but they are Palestinians."

At least three times since Rabadi's death July 19, Palestinians have attempted to march from St. Saviour Church to the Dome of the Rock, one of Islam's holiest sites. Soldiers blocked their path each time.

In the week surrounding Rabadi's death, two other Palestinian Christians died, one hit by a falling brick from an Army observation post, the other shot and killed by soldiers. In the same period, nine Muslim Palestinians were killed in clashes with Israeli soldiers in the occupied territories.

Most of the more than 225 Palestinians killed have been Muslims, but the figures may only reflect demographic differences. An estimated 40,000 Christians live in the occupied territories, compared with roughly 1.3 million Muslims.

### Rafsanjani second most powerful man in Iran

## Battle lines drawn in struggle to succeed Khomeini



Hossein Ali Montazeri

By Ralph Joseph

EARLIER this month, as rumours spread through Tehran that the health of spiritual leader Ayatollah Khomeini had taken another turn for the worse, five significant words caught the attention of watchful diplomats and Iranian politicians.

They were contained in a message attributed to Khomeini and addressed to his designated successor Ayatollah Hossein Ali Montazeri.

Montazeri, reacting in unconsidered haste to the shooting down by the USS Vincennes of Iran Air flight 655 over the Gulf, had issued a call on July 3 to Islamic Fundamentalists around the world to avenge the lives of the 290 people aboard the Airbus by attacking American interests wherever they could.

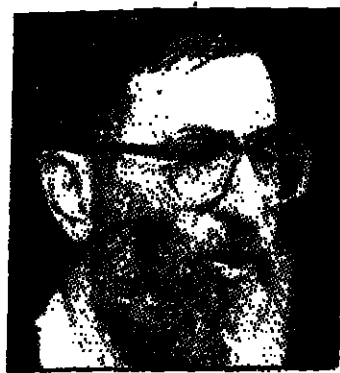
Montazeri's call was broadcast on Tehran Radio and received wide publicity. Then, just six hours later, the message from Khomeini was broadcast on the same station, reversing Montazeri's call for terrorist attacks and asking Iranians to "Do as brother Hashemi says."

Brother Hashemi, of course, was Hojatoleslam Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, Speaker of the Majlis, the Iranian parliament.

That Khomeini should back "Brother Hashemi" publicly against Montazeri was taken as another indication that Rafsanjani was still to be considered the second most powerful man in Iran.

It also underlined the fact that the battle lines were drawn between the pragmatic Western-educated Rafsanjani and the puritanical Islamic hardliner Montazeri in the struggle to succeed the dying Khomeini.

It was the second time this summer that Rafsanjani had received a boost from the Ayatollah. On June 2, Khomeini appointed him Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces.



Ali Khamenei

At the time Rafsanjani's power base in the Majlis appeared to be threatened after the general elections in April and May in which young radicals reportedly gained control of the house.

But Rafsanjani's new military rank meant he now headed not only the regular Army but also the Revolutionary Guards who prop up the clerical regime.

Political sources in Tehran say Rafsanjani despises Montazeri because he lacks Khomeini's stature and could not be expected judiciously to "lead the revolution."

Montazeri was elected to succeed Khomeini by a council of 70 clerics in a supposedly secret vote in 1985. At the time Rafsanjani did not take a public stand against him, but he is now said to favour a "leadership council" of three or five grand Ayatollahs to succeed Khomeini rather than investing the Imam's power in one man's hands.

Friendship  
Until the April-May elections, Rafsanjani was considered almost certain to have his way because of his power base in the Majlis and his close friendship with Hojatoleslam Akbar Khomeini, the Imam's son. But the elections introduced new elements which do not favour Rafsanjani's chances.

The new radical group in the Majlis is seen to be controlled by a group of clerics who broke away from the militant Clergyman's Association. Among these are Ali Akbar Mohtashami, Interior Minister, Mehdi Karubi, who is in charge of pilgrims' affairs, and Mohammad Khomeini, the Prosecutor General who led the Fundamentalist group that seized the US Embassy in Tehran in 1979, setting off the American hostage crisis. All three are clerics holding the rank of Hojatoleslam.

The bad news for Rafsanjani, according to diplomats in Tehran, is that Mohtashami is believed to be the new leader of an underground group of gunmen who support Montazeri.



Ali Akbar Mohtashami

men who support Montazeri.

The danger is that if Rafsanjani presses too hard to have Montazeri replaced as Imam after Khomeini, clashes could break out between Montazeri's gunmen and the Revolutionary Guards who back Rafsanjani. As Deputy Supreme Commander, Rafsanjani would, to all appearances, also have the regular armed forces on his side. But Rafsanjani's dilemma is that if Montazeri automatically succeeds Khomeini on the basis of the 1985 vote, he also automatically becomes Supreme Commander of the Iranian Armed Forces and could swiftly dismiss Rafsanjani as Deputy Commander.

Danger  
Rafsanjani's power is further threatened because he has decided to run for President in succession to Ali Khamenei. Although the Iranian President is elected by direct vote, in 1981 Khomeini reduced the office to that of a toothless mastiff when he stripped former President Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr of his job as Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces.

If Rafsanjani wants to appear the Iranian strongman when Khomeini eventually dies, he has to act fast. He must either restore the office of the President to its original power and prestige, or ensure Montazeri does not automatically assume control of the Revolutionary Guards and the regular Army after Khomeini.

His big asset is his friendship with Akbar Khomeini, the Imam's son, who packs tremendous political power because of his direct access to the Ayatollah.

Ahmad Khomeini is believed to have played the role of messenger between the Ayatollah and the Iranian public over the last few days. The radio and television message from Khomeini, in which he took personal responsibility for accepting the UN ceasefire resolution, is believed to have been dictated to Ahmad.

One man who has yet to show



Ahmad Khomeini

his hand in the power struggle is President Ali Khamenei, always believed to have support from significant elements of the regular Army. But since the promotion of Rafsanjani to Deputy Supreme Commander, his position has been more uncertain.

The political turmoil inside Iran will have raised the hopes of a disparate group of dissidents who have sought refuge in Paris from the Ayatollah's regime. There is speculation that a moderate successor to Khomeini might allow some of them to return to public life.

Resident longest in the French capital is Shapur Bakhtiar, the last prime minister under the Shah. Since his escape nearly 10 years ago he has been a vociferous critic of the mullahs and the Gulf war.

In the summer of 1980 supporters in the Iranian Army were accused of mounting a plot to kill Ayatollah Khomeini. A number were executed, and a few days later an attempt was made on Bakhtiar's own life at his home in a Paris suburb.

Another distinguished exile in



Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani

Paris is Abol Hassan Bani Sadr, Iran's president during the American hostage crisis. He fled from Tehran in a military jet in July 1981. Reputed to be a loner — he was addicted to long games of pingpong during his presidency — he has little political clout in his present position.

Unpredictable

Most unpredictable and most powerful of the exiles is Masoud Rajavi, leader of the Mujaheddin-e Khalq, the most vehement and active of the dissident forces. In mid-1986 he was allowed to leave France following a deal with the government of Prime Minister Jacques Chirac who alleged that his group "had been committing excesses" during their asylum. Last month the Mujaheddin, calling themselves the Iranian National Liberation Army, crossed the border from Iraq and attacked the city of Meharan and held it for several hours. On Wednesday NLA claimed to have downed two Iranian F-4 fighter bombers and a Cobra helicopter and routed an Iranian bid to retake the town of Esfahabad.



Ayatollah Khomeini

Rajavi has claimed that the Meharan attack had persuaded the regime in Tehran to sue for peace. A long statement issued from Baghdad on Monday suggested that the Tehran regime was now finished as it had only been guaranteed by the continuing war, and the call for a truce was a sign of total defeat of the military machine.

However, the climate of peace is likely to spell eclipse for the Mujaheddin. Rajavi himself is regarded by former supporters as a dangerous fanatic in the Pol Pot mould.

Most intriguing is the role of the dissident who refused to go into exile, the former prime minister Mehdi Bazargan, who was forced to resign when students seized the American embassy in Tehran in November 1979. He heads the so-called "Freedom Movement" which has issued frequent proclamations calling for free elections and end to the war. Some 30 supporters are serving long prison sentences, but still Bazargan survives.

Courtesy: The Daily Telegraph

### One year after Sri Lanka accord

## Peace still remains elusive

By Dexter Cruz

COLOMBO, (AP): Hours after Sri Lanka and India signed an accord aimed at ending this nation's Tamil ethnic war, Indian Air Force planes began ferrying troops to the Tamil-dominated north.

A year later 50,000 soldiers of the Indian Army still are deployed in Sri Lanka.

The Tamil war goes on, into its sixth year with the death toll at more than 8,000.

Resentment against Indian troops grows among Tamil civilians who first saw the foreign soldiers as protectors but who now say they have not done their job.

Anger at the peace accord among the majority Sinhalese has spawned yet another revolt and more violence, and both Sinhalese and Tamils are questioning the accord.

Sinhalese ire was apparent even before President Junius R. Jayewardene and Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi signed

the accord on July 29, 1987.

Rioting erupted a day earlier in the capital, and more than 70 people were killed when police opened fire to control Sinhalese mobs. Many Sinhalese complained that the accord went too far in giving the minority Tamils what they wanted — a separate homeland in the island's north and east.

The idea of the peace accord was that Sri Lanka would grant limited autonomy to the Tamils in those areas in return for the Tamil fighters putting down their weapons.

India, Sri Lanka's northern neighbour with a large Tamil population of its own, agreed to guarantee the pact by disarming Tamil rebels and protecting Tamil civilians from revenge by the Sinhalese.

It didn't work out that way. Velupillai Prabhakaran, leader of the largest Tamil militia, said the accord was forced on him by powerful India, which sits just 30 miles (50 kilometres) from Sri Lanka, and he rejected it.

By October, Prabhakaran's Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam were fighting the Indian Army. About 2,500 Tiger guerrillas and at least 500 Indian soldiers have been killed.

A leading Sinhalese government minister, Gamini Dissanayake, surprised many in Sri Lanka last week when he accused India of not fulfilling its role.

Dissanayake is viewed as the prime mover behind the treaty.

Responsibility  
"It is the responsibility of India to see that the Liberation Tigers are totally disarmed," the lands minister told a panel discussion. "The Indian Army has not performed its job."

Rajiv and Indian Foreign Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao told their parliament on Wednesday that the troops will not leave until the Tamils are disarmed.

In the island's Sinhalese-populated south, meanwhile, a Sinhalese nationalist group, the People's Liberation Front, has killed more than 400 people since the accord was signed.

### India powerless to meet its energy needs

growing at a much faster rate than power output.

India used 203 billion kilowatt hours of electricity in the year to March 31, 1987, and officials forecast demand will more than double to between 424 and 465 billion by the turn of the century.

The production and distribution of power around the country are riddled with problems.

While most power generators can be expected to run efficiently for about 25 years, many in India are kept going into their fourth decade.

About 22 per cent of the power produced never reaches the consumer, against less than four per cent in industrialised countries.

Hundreds of thousands of people siphon off power from the mains. The Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking recently said it cut off some 66,000 illegal connections in the capital alone.

During shortages, companies with favourable long-term contracts with utility firms find their supplies cut as power is diverted to higher-paying clients.

One industry source tells of a fertiliser plant in the northern state of Punjab with a 50-year contract to buy electricity at seven paise (0.5 cents) per kilowatt hour.

"If the power company has to shut off supply, it will sure as hell cut out a seven paise client before it does a one rupee (seven cents) client," he said.

Even those who pay the maximum have no hope of consistent power.

When the risk of a blackout on an overworked generator increases, the power company reduces demand forcibly by cutting off supply.

This sporadic load-shedding

has become a way of life in big cities but residents are growing tired of being plunged into darkness.

Earlier this month an angry crowd stormed a power station in the southern city of Hyderabad, cutting telephone lines and smashing furniture because a power cut had interrupted a favourite television show.

In an effort to smooth crisis-inducing peaks in demand, scientists at Teri have proposed dividing the country into two time-zones. Putting half of India ahead by one hour would cut one per cent of peak demand and save millions of dollars a year, they say.

India's power is produced by 25 state companies, all but three of which are in the red, largely as a result of hefty subsidies to the agricultural sector.

The government allows farmers, an important source of votes for the ruling Congress (I) Party, to pay a flat rate of Rs. 75 (56) a year for their supplies, though analysts say this may change as rural support for the government drops.

"The government is losing faith in the power of subsidies, which just aren't bringing in the votes any more," said M.A. Jayaseelan, energy specialist at the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).

A shift in the political power base will make it crucial for the government to woo industry, he said, and that means reducing obstacles to private generation of power.

Industry analysts believe India will have to rely on co-operatives and the private sector to slake the thirst for power.

### TODAY IN HISTORY

- 1602 — Marshal Biron of France is executed for treason.
- 1638 — Aurangzeb is proclaimed Mogul emperor in India.
- 1789 — Austrian and Russian troops under Francis Duke of Coburg and Count Alexander Suvorov defeat Turks at Focshani in Romania.
- 1812 — Venezuelan Republic falls to Spanish force, and Francisco de Miranda is arrested.
- 1919 — Germany adopts Weimar constitution.
- 1926 — Afghanistan signs non-aggression pact with Soviet Union.
- 1956 — Britain and West Germany sign 10-year agreement on nuclear co-operation.
- 1962 — Britain agrees to establish wider Malaysian federation.
- 1964 — US Ranger 7 spacecraft transmits to Earth first closeup pictures of the moon.
- 1971 — US Apollo 15 astronauts take six and one-half hour ride on moon in electric car.
- 1974 — Ceasefire agreement takes effect between Turkey and Greece in fighting on Cyprus.
- 1978 — Gunman shoots his way into Iraqi embassy in Paris and holds hostages for several hours before surrendering to French police.
- 1986 — Britain's cabinet unanimously supports Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's resistance to stiff sanctions against South Africa.
- 1987 — Indian peacekeeping troops, in Sri Lanka, fail to get Tamil rebels to surrender arms.



SCREEN

# A bewitching enigma

By June Southworth

WHEN she was a child she played with her Barbie Doll and longed for the big blue eyes and blonde hair that would make her the perfect Hollywood bimbo.

"Well," laughs Anjelica Huston, those almond-shaped cat's eyes glistening, "it didn't quite turn out that way."

Her hair is long and straight, the colour of rich burgundy, and the elegantly-boned face of Anjelica Huston radiates an intelligence and intensity that has intrigued the most dangerous men in Hollywood.

There is a magnificent beauty there for someone who is man enough to look for it... a particularly intriguing guest for Jack Nicholson, with whom she has had a 14-year relationship.

You might call it typecasting that her next film is Raul D'Almeida's thriller *The Witches*, because she managed to bewitch Warren Beatty and Ryan O'Neal, too.

## Protective

She almost throws down the gauntlet to men in her role in the film *A Handful of Dust*, which was given the accolade of a royal charity gala.

Anjelica plays the daunting and mesmerising Mrs Rattery, an American divorcee who literally flies — for a weekend in the country. When she joins the hunt she is one foxy lady, but is clearly on her high horse, untouchable, a challenge, an enigma.

Her breeding in Hollywood terms is as impeccable as that of the finest thoroughbred, what with grandfather Walter Huston, of September Song fame, and her father John Huston, for whom she turned in an Oscar-winning performance in *Prizzi's Honour* supporting Mr Nicholson.

"Father was magnificent," she says, and she is illuminated by the warmth of his memory. He was very tall, very proud, very sensitive, very cultured, very articulate, very wise, but not arrogant, never that. He was very protective towards me when I was growing up. He never took me in hand to teach

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Huston: highly-praised performance in her father's last film, *The Dead*.

me about men as such, but yes, you could learn a lot from him. He had such generosity and humanity.

"But I didn't consciously look for men like my father. Either you're attracted to a man or you're not. I look for people with warmth and humour. I don't think it's a conscious decision to love a man, is it?"

So what does love mean to Ms Huston, reportedly pursued determinedly by Warren Beatty and Ryan O'Neal?

She grimaces slightly at the mention of Beatty, he of the legendary libido, with a "here we go again" look in her narrowed eyes.

"First of all, I have to clarify that I was a friend of Warren, but it was never a relationship that went beyond friendship. Yes, I know, I am unique in that respect."

Ryan O'Neal would seem to be a closed chapter, and yet... she is very defensive about him. "Look, Ryan O'Neal is a nice man. He's funny and there's a lot to him, more depth than most people imagine. I think he's not credited with enough intelligence."

Her relationship with Jack Nicholson has been punctuated by three defections to O'Neal's side, but as far as her father was concerned, Jack was the family choice. How many times has Jack unsuccessfully proposed marriage now?

"Oh, come on!" she says. Now 35, she was only 21 when they met at a Hollywood party and began an on-off-on affair. They have lived together and apart, usually — as now — with only a five-minute drive separating their canyon-top homes. His first reaction was that she was "pure class." What was hers?

"He had a wonderful smile. No, not that demonic smile from *The Shining*. A beautiful smile."

It was said she moved out because she found it difficult to cope with the superstar fuss his success inevitably attracted, whether he asked for it or not — constantly being asked what Jack was doing, answering the phone for Jack, always Jack — but she, too, is now a very hot property after *Prizzi's Honour* and her highly-praised performance in Huston's last film, *The Dead*. Are the tables turned?

I don't think this is difficult for Jack to cope with. He's a very self-sufficient man, well-placed, secure, used to standing on his own two feet. I don't think it's changed our association one iota.

## Worthwhile

"You don't have a relationship for as long as we have without something worthwhile and enduring growing between you. If you start living as a couple there's a danger of collapsing into someone else's life."

"I'm sure that leading separate lives and having mutual interests and avoiding living in each other's pockets is healthy for a relationship and has kept ours going all this time. In the years we've been



Anjelica Huston: "pure class," said Jack Nicholson when he first saw her.

together I've seen all the couples we've known break up, largely due to enforced togetherness. One should be together because one wants to be together, because one has something to offer the other person, not because it has become a habit.

"Even the most intelligent and attractive people can bore each other if they are completely intertwined."

Far from hurting her relationship with Jack Nicholson, she knows that her success can only increase his respect for her. Marriage, of course, is quite a commitment. Her father married five times.

Anjelica was born in California when her father was making *The African Queen*. He built on his own legend, making Moby Dick in Ireland, but his fourth marriage, to her mother Ricki Soma, crumbled. When Anjelica was ten they separated and she was taken off by her mother to school in London.

"I was far too insecure at school to cut down boys," she says. "Whoever liked me I felt

had to have something wrong with them. I was one of those tall, skinny girls — always the tallest in my class — and I was subject to some ridicule. They would call me Legs. Mercifully it was the sort of thing I later turned to my advantage. But it's grim at 13 when you're longing to be 3ft 6in."

She was 16 when she appeared in her father's *A Walk with Love and Death*. Her mother was killed in a car crash just after the film was completed.

At this low point, a bad review helped to push her into an alternative and successful career as a model. Her father wooed her back for *Prizzi's Honour* to play a Mafia princess, and she hit the Hollywood jackpot.

As she says, it's too late to be a Barbie Doll now.

You might walk past Anjelica Huston in the street. What is magic about her is the longer you look at her, the more oddly beautiful she becomes. Ask any simple Hollywood superstar.

# Probing evil in the outback

By Jo Mears

ON a cool spring night in the Australian Outback, a baby disappeared.

Had she been carried off by a dingo? Or had the baby's mother just committed one of the most bizarre murders in history?

Film producer Verity Lambert believes it possibly WAS a dingo... but she had to make a film to find out.

For in the new movie, *Evil Angels*, starring Meryl Streep and Sam Neill, the celebrated Chamberlain case — which chilled and outraged a nation — is once again put under a microscope.

The disappearance of nine-week-old Azaria Chamberlain from a camp-site at Ayers Rock in 1980 triggered a witch-hunt that is still going on.

Azaria's body was never found. But her parents, Lindy and Michael Chamberlain, were tried — by rumour, suspicion and religious intolerance — and in a court of law Lindy was found guilty of murder.

With no body, no motive, no weapon, and no clear evidence, Australia decided that a happily married young couple had killed their baby daughter.

But today Lindy is out of jail and reunited with her family, and is continuing the legal battle to clear her name.

And when British producer Verity Lambert saw John Bryson's book *Evil Angels*, she was immediately attracted to the story.

She says: "My first thought was of the *Witches of Salem*, and how could something so similar could happen in the 1980's?"

"I knew right away who I wanted for it — Fred Schepisi, as director and Meryl Streep as Lindy. I knew the project would appeal to her."

Fascinated

After a little hesitation, Fred Schepisi agreed and straight away became fascinated by the drama.

He says: "I wondered what had caused this irrational, emotional mass reaction. Was it the deep-seated need for evil in all of us?"

"People's impressions of other people are generally



Meryl Streep stars in *Evil Angels*.

incredibly wrong.

"Here, media misinformation and wrong impressions kept refuelling one another. Eventually public perception built into something so far removed from the reality that it brought about a kind of group emotional madness."

Sam Neill, who plays Michael Chamberlain, soon formed his theory as to why an entire nation found Lindy guilty too.

He explains: "I believe it had a lot to do with boredom. This is a huge under-populated country with a massive media machine... Nothing much happens in Australia but everyone is still bombarded with news stories."

"So a baby disappears from Ayers Rock. Her mother says a wild animal ran off with her. There's no body. For the news media, it's all magic."

The Australian media even gave Meryl Streep and Sam Neill a taste of what the Chamberlains had gone through.

Wild stories circulated about the two stars — claiming they were in love — were bandied about but bore no relation to fact. Just as the original reports of the Chamberlain case proved to be largely wrong.

Sam Neill adds: "Ironically, that helped our performances. This was the hardest role I've

every done, but Meryl and I felt beleaguered, just as the Chamberlains had. And that drew us closer together like them."

The two stars also spent a lot of time with the Chamberlains in preparation for their roles.

Sam adds: "One of the crucial things to remember about Lindy and Michael and their reaction to their daughter's death, was their faith. They have always believed without a shadow of doubt that they will see Azaria again on the other side. People couldn't understand why they weren't more upset."

## Innocence

Even the filming of *Evil Angels* helped convince many of Lindy's innocence.

Michael Wetter was cast as the family's four-year-old son, Reagan. His role required a lot of sleeping. He had to sleep in the tent alongside, the baby playing Azaria throughout the dingo's arrival and the taking of the baby.

In real life, observers said this wouldn't happen. They insisted no four-year-old would sleep through such an event.

But when Michael was told to lie quietly, he quickly fell asleep — and continued to sleep right through 15 takes as Meryl Streep ran in and out of the tent, moving blankets and screaming that the dingo had taken her baby.

And dingo-trainer Evanne Chasson, who supplied the dingoes for the film, had not doubts that they are capable of snatching a baby.

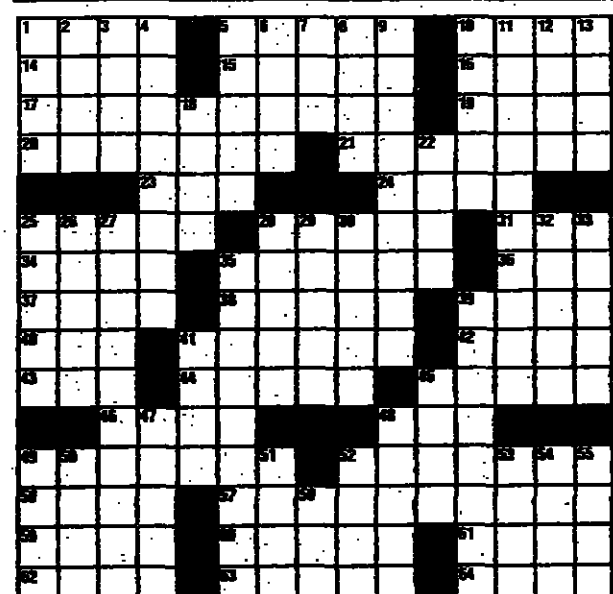
Evanne says: "People think dingoes are lovely puppies living out in the desert. They forget that in the desert there are no cans of dog food lying around."

"Dingos have to eat live animals. To a dingo, a baby would be no different from a rabbit."

Producer Verity Lambert concludes: "Some people have said that what happened to the Chamberlains could have happened only in Australia. Some Australians say that it could have happened only in the Northern Territory. But I never saw it that way."

"I saw what happened as something that could make other societies look at themselves and realise that it could happen there, anywhere."

## TODAY'S CROSSWORD



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## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF  
NO 'RULE' IS INVIOABLE

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Opening lead: Nine of ♦

The wise saws we learned at our mothers' knee are generalities that, by and large, will guide you to success, in life as well as bridge. But none should be slavishly followed; there are times when common sense dictates that one or more of these rubrics should be disregarded.

We are not enthralled with South's choice of a weak jump overcall. The main flaw is the four-card major side suit. Two spades could

be touch-and-go on many hands where four hearts would be makeable, depending on partner's holding. No harm was done here, though. North's raise to game is beyond reproach.

West led his top diamond, and the defenders quickly raked in two tricks. Even if declarer did not have the king of clubs, East could see that his side was going to collect no more tricks in the plain suits. If the contract was to be defeated, the defenders had to score two trump tricks.

That was not likely unless declarer could be forced to weaken his holding; and the only way to accomplish that was by giving declarer a ruff-shuff, a bridge "no-no." Since declarer had no side-suit losers, that tactic could only help the defense, not harm them.

Declarer ruffed high, but it did not avail him. Had West overruffed, the contract would still have been on ice, since the defenders would have taken no more tricks. But West simply discarded, and now there was no way that he could be prevented from collecting two trump tricks.

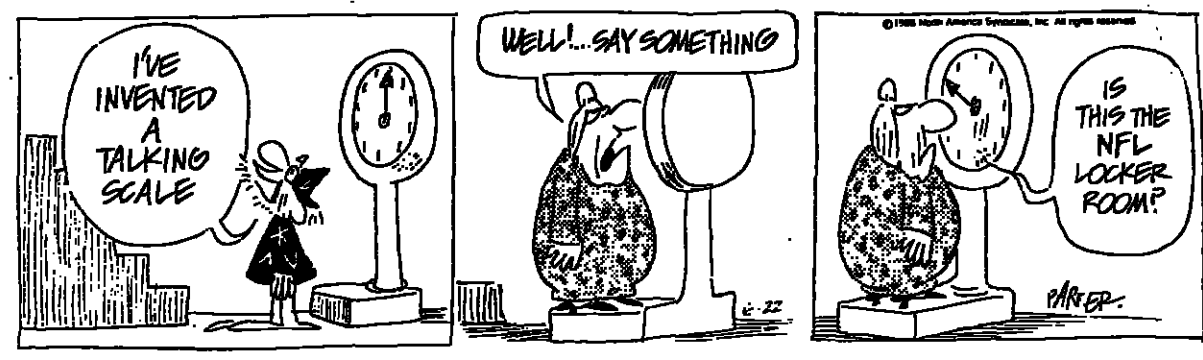
There is a moral to this story: Don't try to replace rumination with rote.



"This is the most expensive perfume I could find without my reading glasses."

## THE WIZARD OF ID

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



## B.C.

By Johnny Hart



## YOUR STARS

- Aries (March 20 - April 18)**  
 You should not let anyone try to lay down the law where you are concerned. You have the wind in your sails but must make sure your direction is right. Do not leave a friend of yours in the lurch.
- Taurus (April 19 - May 19)**  
 This is a good day on which to get in touch with a friend with whom you have not spoken for ages. You should take a little better care of your health. Do not neglect your appearance either. Be considerate.
- Gemini (May 20 - June 20)**  
 This is a good and interesting day for you. You will not be in the best of moods. Make sure you do not run out of petrol. Be a little more patient.
- Cancer (June 21 - July 21)**  
 You should not just leave things to chance but face up to reality. A tendency to occupy a dream world should be combated. You should not dally nor be too great a hurry. Be tactful.
- Leo (July 22 - Aug. 21)**  
 You will be able to do something to help yourself and should do so. You should think a little harder and longer before you finally make up your mind. Beware of driving recklessly and watch out for careless drivers. Be sincere.
- Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21)**  
 You should not be too critical of others or of yourself. Try to preserve your freedom of action. Do not hesitate to show your gratitude. Be moderate.
- Libra (Sept. 22 - Oct. 22)**  
 Venus' better influence will help you to spend a pleasant day. Something you had hoped for will happen but not quite as you would have wished. Do not take your children too much for granted. Be malleable.
- Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)**  
 The Moon's better influence will help you to adapt to the circumstances. You could do with a little more commonsense and you know where to find it. Make sure you do not overdo the eating and drinking. Be amenable.
- Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)**  
 You should have high standards but you should not aim impossibly high. The situation requires you to act with a great deal of tact and restraint. You should not be reluctant to help others. Be tolerant.
- Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)**  
 You should take it easy but that does not mean you should be lazy. You will be able to make up a quarrel and should do so. Try to keep your mind off work for the day. Be less loquacious.
- Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)**  
 You should make sure you keep your wits about you and must do all you can to avoid doing anything foolish. Make sure you do not do anything that might injure your health.
- Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 19)**  
 You should not allow some small obstacle to put you altogether off your stride. Do not try to do too many things all at once. You are liable to take a game far too seriously. Be less impatient.



## FILIPINO DIGEST

## SHIPPERS

## Marcos claims violation of human rights

DEPOSED Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos said recently that he hoped US Secretary of State George Shultz brought up the matter of his returning home with President Aquino during the American official's visit to Manila.

Gemino Trinidad, spokesman for Marcos in Hawaii, in a press statement quoted Marcos as saying that the Philippines and the United States claiming to be champions in the cause of human rights should seriously consider the violation of his rights in holding him in Hawaii.

"I have been a prisoner here for the past 29 months," Trinidad quoted Marcos. The former president's papers allowing him to stay in Hawaii was stamped "on parole."

Trinidad said Marcos welcomed reports that President Aquino was willing to let him come home "if the courts allowed it."

Marcos has vowed he would stay away from politics when he returns but offered his wholehearted help if this is solicited by the Aquino government "if only to help ensure the defeat of communist insurgency in the country."

## Overseas workers lament

COMPLAINTS of returning Filipino overseas workers, mostly from the Middle East and particularly from Saudi Arabia, merit the immediate attention of NAITA Customs Collector Elizabeth Guerrero.

According to returning overseas workers, the presence of many operatives representing different government agencies at the People's Air Cargo (PAIR) warehouse is a "terrible inconvenience" when they try to have their baggage and other personal cargoes released.

Agents from the customs intelligence and police, EIB (Finance Department), dog team, anti-narcotics, NBI and others take part in the inspection and release of baggage with the excuse of looking for drugs and firearms, they said.

"Don't they know that in the Middle East countries where we came from, the governments strictly apply the death penalty for gun-running offences? So, why make it so hard for us when they surely know no drugs nor firearms are coming from these countries?" they said.

## Unemployment rate expected to decrease

LABOUR Secretary Franklin M. Drilon said recently that the country's unemployment rate is expected to further go down from 11.2 per cent in February 1986 to 9.2 per cent as a result of the government's economic recovery programme and the attainment of industrial peace.

Drilon said the unemployment rate is expected to further go down with the full implementation of the government's countryside employment programme designed to generate one-million new jobs.

He said this is complemented by the overseas and local employment programmes of the Department of Labour and Employment (DOLE) and its labour market information, apprenticeship, manpower and maritime training, and productivity programmes.

## Era of slavery over

PRESIDENT Aquino told the country's sugar producers that the era of masters and slaves is over and that land reform is a reality they cannot escape.

She asked delegates to the national convention of sugar millers and producers at the Philippine International Convention Centre to consider the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Programme (CARP) "a challenge to make all the people of the sugar areas partners in the general progress of the industry."

Sugar planters had been the strongest opponents of CARP when Congress passed the law last month.

"I don't think my talking to you now will make you change your minds, but I do ask you to keep an open mind about it," she said. "It is a reality that cannot be escaped."

The President noted that the sugar industry once the pillar of the country's economy, was rebounding from a slump that lasted several years and forced tens of thousands of poorly paid workers into starvation.

## Aquino rapped over human rights issue

MORE human rights lawyers have been killed or harassed during President Corason Aquino's first two years in office than in the last nine years of her deposed predecessor's 20-year rule, an association of lawyers charged last week.

The Free Legal Assistance Group made the accusation in a report presented during the opening of a two-day convention of human rights lawyers.

Representatives from nine countries and the London-based human rights organisation Amnesty International also are attending the conference.

"It has become readily apparent that lawyers under siege today are more vulnerable than lawyers who handled human rights cases under ousted President Ferdinand Marcos," the report said.

"Then the greatest fear was that of arrest and possible torture. Today the most pervasive fear is that of summary execution."

FLAG said only four human rights lawyers were slain under Marcos and the murders were spread over a nine year period from 1977.

But five human rights lawyers have been killed since Mrs Aquino came to power in



Placards attacking President Aquino as a gun-toting fascist on display during a protest rally in Manila.

February 1986, three of them during the last two months, it noted.

It said there have been 19 other cases of harassment of human rights lawyers by government agents during the past two years compared with only 11 between 1977 and 1986.

The report did not mention mass arrests, including those of lawyers, during the first few years after Marcos declared martial law in 1973.

"Those who wield state power today no longer recognise the role of human rights lawyers as defenders of the Constitution

and the rights of persons," the report said.

Rather, they perceive human rights lawyers as combatants in the war against the insurgents, allies of the rebels and, therefore, enemies of the state."

All three lawyers killed recently were attorneys of alleged com-

munist rebel leaders or sympathisers being tried on rebellion and subversion charges. A Constabulary colonel linked to one of the killings has been relieved pending filing of charges.

FLAG also released a copy of a letter to Mrs Aquino from the American Bar Association asking her to publicly condemn the killings and order a thorough investigation of the cases.

Last week Mrs Aquino assured Amnesty International General Ian Martin, who is attending the conference as an observer, that her government remains committed to human rights. She said earlier that allegations of human rights violation under her administration were exaggerated.

During the opening session, the conference participants listened to a dozen Filipino attorneys describe instances of harassment by soldiers or members of anti-communist vigilante organisations.

They then went behind closed doors to discuss further the FLAG report and draft a resolution on it.

The foreign delegates include five lawyers from the United States and one each from India, Pakistan, Japan and West Germany.

## Japanese hate Ninoy Airport... but still keep coming in droves

JAPANESE tourists rate the Ninoy Aquino International Airport as the thing they dislike most about the Philippines. Next are the cab drivers, parking boys and other service personnel who always demand "tips."

These were the findings of a study on Japanese tourists made by the Department of Tourism's Development Planning Office, headed by director Ramona L. Ty.

Last year's 126,825 Japanese visitors were mostly males (85 percent), who obviously were enticed by travel agents promoting "exciting sex tours in Manila." They generally found Manila's air polluted, the surroundings dirty and most of the roads in and outside the city "very bad." They hated "cheating and reckless" taxi drivers.

Despite this unfavourable rating, Japanese tourists are "com-

ing in very strong," says Tourism Secretary Antonio Gonzalez. He adds that during the first four months of this year, 57,575 Japanese tourists came to Manila, a 50.52 per cent increase over that of the same period last year.

Although second only to American arrivals (59,730) during January-April, "the Japanese presence is very encouraging," Gonzalez says. The four-month figure for American travellers showed a 1.04 per cent drop from last year's 60,355 for the same period.

Gonzalez thinks that Japanese tourists have not been deterred by the recent hijack in Imus, Cavite, of a busload of Japanese tourists who were returning to Manila from a sightseeing tour of a Cavite resort.

"We arrested the culprits within four days, so we believe this assures the (Japanese tourists) that the government is exert-

ing efforts to make their stay in the country as pleasant as possible," Gonzalez said.

The country's doubling of its efforts to improve tourism facilities is understandable. Until now it has not seen a good number of Japanese tourists around, considering that five million Japanese leave for overseas holidays every year. In 1986 over five million Japanese left for vacations abroad, but Manila managed to attract only a measly 134,261, or a negligible .027 per cent of this batch.

Japan, according to a Japan's Transport Ministry official, can restore part of its trade surplus through tourism. In 1987 Japan chalked up a \$5.8 billion tourism deficit and the government wants to raise the level up to \$20 billion by 1990.

Recently the Transport Ministry launched a campaign, called the "Ten Million Plan," aimed at doubling the number of Japanese travellers to 10 million by 1990 from 5.5 million in 1986.

The DOT study says the annual average gross income of Japanese tourists was of \$127,487, or an average of \$10,623 (P212,478) a month.

With such such enormous income, it is obvious they have found Manila a good place to spend their holiday money, where everything comes cheaper than other foreign cities.

Of the Japanese who visited Manila last year for an average of 11-day holidays, 91.30 per cent came without making side tours to neighboring countries before and after leaving Manila. Their visit was recommended by friends, who earlier came and apparently enjoyed their stay.

During their stay in the country, the Japanese tourists who came on their own (51 per cent) each spent an average of \$178 (P3,560) a day to cover accommodation, food-beverage, sightseeing, entertainment/recreation, local transport, shopping and miscellaneous expenses. Those who came on a package tour (42 per cent) spent an average of \$97 (P1,940) a day to cover similar expenses. From them the country earned at least \$16.7 million in 1987.

According to the study, 60 per cent of last year's batch were previous visitors who "enjoyed the friendliness of the Filipinos, enjoyed shopping in the department stores and enjoyed food and beverages and other items sold in the country's tourist counters."



One of the hazards at Ninoy Airport: a Japanese tourist is frisked by a security official

## No business like monkey business

By Beth A. Pango

SIXTY-EIGHT monkeys from Palawan were seized at North Harbour recently by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources from a vessel bound for an unknown destination abroad.

The monkeys, worth P141,324, were confiscated after the ship's captain failed to present pertinent documents.

## Rampant

Exportation of monkeys is allowed provided they don't come from declared animal sanctuaries like Palawan and provided the exporters can show proof that the animals will be used for scientific and medical research and experiments.

However, officials said monkey smuggling has become rampant recently after foreign scientists found out in tests that Philip-

pine monkeys' blood is negative of the dreaded Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

At present, no inventory has been done to establish the country's monkey population. Government records show the demand for AIDS-free Philippine monkey is increasing in the United States, Europe, Japan and Taiwan because of their importance in bio-medical research, according to Alvarez.

One of the most interesting discovery about the country's monkeys, according to Alvarez, is the fact that their blood is negative to AIDS unlike some African primates, which were found positive of the dreaded disease.

Last year, about 13,574 monkeys worth P2 million were exported to various countries and this export figure is expected to rise despite strict enforcement of

local wildlife laws.

Many of the monkeys are also being brought to the Leonard Wood Research Centre Foundation in Cebu which is testing a cure for leprosy. Monkey's blood was also found to be a cure for leprosy more effective than the anti-eaters which could not survive the tests and the weather in Cebu.

## Destination

The shipper of the seized monkeys and their destination were not known but Alvarez said they came from Palawan, which is a wildlife sanctuary.

Exportation of monkeys from other areas is permitted with the approval of the DENR provided they are used for medical research.

The seized monkeys were being kept at the Ninoy Aquino Parks and Wildlife Centre in Quezon City.

## Is cronyism back?

By Rufo Gonzalez

PRESIDENTIAL relatives are running this economy. Economic policy has been fashioned and implemented to suit their ever growing appetite to inherit what little is left from twenty years of unbridled looting.

But little is relative only to over \$28 billion in debt. Little is not relative to nothing else, which is what the Filipino people are soon going to be left with. Ferdinand Marcos planted the assets which these relatives are now reaping.

And, saddest of all, they are doing this, sinistraly and untruthfully, in the name of the President, a lady whose personal material needs are lesser than anyone can imagine, not because she is already president but because she has been that way for as long as people have known her.

## Reason

That she was a hero's widow was undoubtedly a significant reason for her victory at the polls. But if Imelda Marcos had been Ninoy Aquino's widow, the count would have been very different.

Those who truly know Corason Aquino (and we are not so privileged) have almost always described her as simple in lifestyle, in taste and even in her choice of recreation. Simplicity has been the cornerstone

of her global popularity.

The billions of pesos being made from the indecent discount rates of ADP liquidations at the direct cost of robbing the Filipino people, the billions of new base money created under the debt-equity scheme to finance those deep discounts at the direct cost of inflating prices or depleting international reserves, the total absence of rehabilitation to preserve booked values, these are all policies which cannot possibly go on much longer, if this country is to survive.

There is value to the argument that if someone is going to make money it might as well be the good guys. But when the money being made is made without imagination, without fairness to 57 million helpless souls, then the good guys have become the bad guys.

For reasons we have failed to fathom, everyone is captive in this sinister web built on simplicity personified — everyone from the tragic governor of the Central Bank who could not possibly even need or make one thin dime of this kind of money, to the chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission whose lack of discretion and scruples knows no bounds.

Must 14 years of unrelenting exploitation be followed by six more? Is there no hope for all of us?



## Cynicism triumphs

WHAT happened to the Presidential Commission on Good Government (PCGG) : particularly to its erstwhile chairman, Ramon Diaz — is yet another evidence of how cynicism has triumphed over the fervent hopes born on the hot pavement of EDSA in February just two and a half years ago.

Many of the idealists, those passionate men and women who made that daring venture work are gone — dismissed, sidelined and overpowered by the opportunists who have managed to turn the confusion that followed those heady days into their favour. It's as if it were an entirely different people which waged that magnificent enterprise in 1986.

The latest post-revolution controversy surrounding the PCGG, a mess borne out of the popular perception of corruption and racketeering in the agency, that its first victim should be a man whose record of honesty and personal integrity is unimpaired.

Mr Diaz might not have been the chummy politico who could have created a more congenial public image for himself, one that would probably have spared him from the ultimately self-destructive scrapes with other government officials and, of course, media. But the mandate given to him and the rest of the commission required him to be, above all, scrupulous — to undertake his task in a manner beyond any ethical or moral reproach. On that score, Mr Diaz cannot be faulted by anyone.

True, the PCGG has failed to live up to the nation's expectations. After setting for itself a P200-billion target, it has recovered only a tiny per cent of that figure. Meanwhile, racketeers have been permitted to infiltrate its ranks, giving rise to the widespread public belief that the PCGG has become a haven for thieves.

To be sure, Mr Diaz may have to be held to account for the unimpressive record of the PCGG, on the principle of command responsibility. Still, it must not be forgotten that he merely inherited the helm of the agency as well as the strategy adopted for the recovery of the Marcos and crony loot at a time when reports about PCGG shenanigans had already become current.

Moreover, partisan forces far more powerful than the entire commission itself had begun to interfere in the PCGG's work, not to mention those interested outside parties who by deliberately undermining the commission's credibility are obviously hoping to divert public and official attention away from themselves.

Filipinos who shared the hope of seeing justice done to those who had plundered the nation's coffers under the old regime are saddened by the bizarre turn of events in which the PCGG has become embroiled. That hope is nearly gone. In its place now stands a bitter, cynical realization that we had just expected too much.

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## Basketball: Pinoy Restaurant triumphs over Mabuhay Restaurant



Vic Lago: Most Valuable Player of the basketball competition



The winners: Pinoy Restaurant which triumphed over Mabuhay Restaurant by a narrow margin



A section of the large crowd which turned up at the basketball final at Keifan gym on Friday.



An action shot from Friday's final.



By Simon Winchester

HE WAS a fat man with bulging black circles under his eyes — not the best advertisement, perhaps, for so efficacious an elixir. He sat in his office with four colleagues, and they nodded and smiled broadly as servants trooped in with a steaming silver pot. "You are very welcome," said Ha. "You will take some red ginseng extract, please?" A servant poured a deep red liquid into an egg-shaped china cup that had handpainted flowers on its side. Ha stood and made a short and rather formal speech: "Red ginseng is good for your life, Mister Simon. It will help your body to make more blood. It will cleanse your liver. It will make you live much longer. Gentlemen, drink!"

And we all stood and sipped the scalding liquid. It is not easy to describe the taste. Sweetish rubber, perhaps. Glue? The faintest hint of drying paint. A freshly baked Victoria sponge cake, cooked in a pine wood on a warm spring afternoon. Ginger and balsam dipped in molasses. All these tastes and smells came to mind as I drank the vaguely medicinal liquid. Not at all unpleasant but rather odd, as though someone had slipped a mickey into a glass of decent claret, and I suspected it but drank it all the same.

"You will feel its effects very soon," said Ha and then showed me his motto. It was arranged under the glass of his

tabletop: "I believe that the able industrial leader who creates wealth and employment is more worthy of historical notice than any politician or soldier..." "So you see, we create wealth and employment, and by making something that is beneficial to everyone. Can we do any better than that?" He beamed. The other men at the table beamed and bowed. One of them released a most enormous belch, and Ha beamed even more. And then an escort arrived to take me around the factory.

**Icon**  
The ginseng root is the most readily recognisable icon in modern Korea. You see it under bell jars in ancient pharmacies. You see it on the labels of sweets and cigarettes, on hair restorers and after-shaves, on chewing gums and face creams. Huge posters carry its image. If Korea were run by Californians I daresay somewhere there would be a statue. The root is a curiously anthro-morphic thing, anyway — a thick, pinkish root with a fat body, two elephantine "legs", a couple of thinner "arms", and an assortment of lesser limbs a "head" with hair and on some specimens a navel, a penis, and knees. Sometimes it stands erect; other specimens are bent at the midriff and seem to sit back, contentedly dispensing their magicks. The Chinese character for "gin" is "man", thought to confuse matters the word ginseng is not actually used in Korea: the Korean word for what the Chinese call

# Ginseng: the magic panacea

jensheng and for what the English-speaking world calls "ginseng" is actually insam — hence if you ask for a cup of ginseng tea in Korea the phrase is insam-cha chuseyo, putokk-amanda, and if you asked for ginseng you would get very blank looks indeed.

Semantics aside, ginseng is Korea; thanks to the efforts of the monopoly that musters and markets it, the world now firmly associates Korea with ginseng and ginseng with Korea. Not many people beyond the Orient know exactly what it is; there is the vaguely terrifying (but not wholly wrong) assumption that it has something to do with the curious activities of the Reverend Sun Myung Moon (a figure of quasi-religious bizzarrie, well known in the West, who is either despised or unknown in Korea). Few people can be precisely certain if ginseng will do them good or harm, if it is an aphrodisiac, a life-extension drug, a sleeping draught, a menace to society, or some cunning fungus through whose use the sinister East will subtly extend its dominance over a bewildered and drug-fuddled West. But whatever it is, the symbol of Korea, without a doubt, and it is all made, processed, and packed in Puyo, behind the high white walls and guard towers of Number 200, Naeri Street.

It was once all made in Kaesong and exported in huge quantities to a China that had been fascinated with yin-yang restoratives (in which field ginseng claims pre-eminence) since the third millennium BC. The Koryo kings were forced to pay levies to the Yuan Dynasty's Mongol emperors: gold and silver; cloth and grain; falcons, eunuchs, young women — and ginseng, always ginseng. Ginseng was stiff with yang energy; no Chinese, no Mongol, could possibly function well without it. The principal factory for its mass production was established in Kaesong in 1908, a branch office of the ginseng division of the Royal Ministry of Finance.

But Kaesong was swallowed up by North Korea in 1953, and the factory moved south to Puyo. Kaesong still makes some ginseng and exports it under the historically accurate name of Koryo ginseng (since Kaesong was the Koryo capital). A little is made in China, and both the Russians and the Americans grow the plant and toy with processing it. The biggest exporter in the world, by far, is Korea, and all the export quality red ginseng comes from the factory at Puyo.

There are two kinds of Korean ginseng. There is pack-sam, or white ginseng, which is grown for four years, then washed, sorted, graded, and sold. This type of ginseng is regarded as inferior enough for private enterprises to make and market, and such magisterial characters as Puyo's Ha have no interest in it. Red ginseng, or hongsam, on the other hand, is the real McCoy of the insam world. It is exactly the same ginseng, except it has been steamed and dried. This curing process, then, and the two years' maturation in the field, is all that separates two ginsengs that are treated as differently as gold from pyrites. Red ginseng is stronger, more concentratedly beneficial — is the subject of the hugely powerful Office of Monopoly, and on that subject, Ha waxed lyrical indeed.

## Legacy

It turned out that the Korean War had left a problematic legacy for the ginseng makers. The original Korean factory had been at Kaesong, as I have explained. It was strategically placed inside a 50-mile-wide circle where the better six-year ginseng was traditionally cultivated. Then came the war, and Kaesong fell into Communist hands. Most of the 50-mile circle, however, remained in the South — mercifully, for the Korean export trade. The new factory that the Southern authorities then built in Puyo was right in the middle of a 50-

mile-wide circle where four-year ginseng was grown. The inconvenience was considerable: everything grown around Puyo was destined to become white ginseng and was sent up to Seoul to be processed by private enterprise factories; everything grown around Seoul (and particularly on a beautiful island called Kanghawa-do, an hour west of the capital) had to be trundled south to Puyo to be made into red ginseng. The mistake appears to have been to plant the red ginseng plant in the middle of a white-ginseng-growing area; when I asked my guide why this had been done he looked at his feet and shuffled them uncomfortably. I think someone had made an almighty mistake.

Trucks bring boxes of the precious anthropomorphic roots of Panax ginseng down to Puyo every day. For the six years before this transport the roots had matured in their shaded mulches of chestnut leaves. The red raspberry-like fruits, which had appeared every summer after the plant was three years old, had grown and withered, grown and withered. The leaves, protected from the damaging sun, had sprung up and then faded and died six times, each time leaving another callus that, welded together in the crucial six-year maturation, became the head that is so important to the root's status in ginseng society. No head, no deal, basically: a hydra-headed beast, or one that looks like a cross between ET and the Mekon, is much favoured and prized from the ground with reverential care, packed all about with straw, and dispatched to Puyo for the attention of Ha and his 100 pretty Puyo girls.

## Lovingly

The girls wash each root as if it were a child, lovingly towelling between its little legs and under its wizened arms and patting its head dry and smooth. Then baskets carry the creamy roots into steamers, where the cream becomes a deep and angry red, the smooth roots craze and buckle like frying bacon, and the whole factory fills with an aroma of rubber and ginger, molasses and spongecake. And from this moment onward the roots, ugly in their dismemberment, are weighed, sorted, graded, and dealt with according to the commercial pressures of the moment.

The grades are given names that are appropriate to the standing of the root in botanical society. The least good (although all are superior to the various grades of white ginseng) is known as tail ginseng, the next is cut ginseng. Then there is good grade, then earth grade. And finally, in red-and-gold packets that will cost

devotees small fortunes in folding money, heaven grade. The girls — who, when I was there, seemed to spend an inordinate amount of time fighting playfully with each other — fed the sorted roots into the maws of silvery machines, and from the various orifices of these engines came the substances that Korea exports to the wailing non-Communist world: 9,200 metric tons of the stuff each year — to be sent off to Hong Kong, Singapore, San Francisco, Seattle, London, Athens, Santiago and Mexico City (the places where Korea has set up ginseng centres), and to the 60 countries, drunk, or otherwise ingested.

Puyo's managers offer it as unadorned root, sold in flat tins decorated with paintings of pretty girls in hanbok. They sell it as extract (which is what Ha gave me); there is powdered ginseng tea; there is spray-dried powder; there are tablets, capsules, and pills; there are fine-cut pieces, and there are polygonal slices — all to be taken with honey if needed, or with pieces of the dried zizyphus fruit we know as a jujube, and all guaranteed to make the taker feel a great deal better. The trucks that bring the earth-covered roots down in

the morning leave in the afternoon with the red-and-gold packets of polygons and slices and pills and capsules. The great ships that leave Pusan and Incheon each day, filled with Hyundai cars and Samsung televisions and Daewoo refrigerators, also hold, in every available corner, small and very valuable boxes from the factory over in Puyo town.

The chemistry of ginseng is bewildering, and books on the topic (which Ha pressed into my hands at every available moment) combine folkiness with utter incomprehensibility. I nearly gave up at the paragraph that started: "Therefore, let us turn our attention to terpenoid," and then did abandon the struggle at another that started with the declaration that "ginseng saponin is a glycoside structured with dammarane from triterpenoid." The words that made greater sense were those that claimed ginseng had an "anti-cancer effect," was "anti-ageing," was analgesic, antibiotic, inhibited overfermentation in the gut, was antidiabetic, and had been declared by chemists at a doubtless grand institution called Kinki University to be full of magnesium and therefore very good for one's general health.

Professor Oura, of Toyoma University in Japan cut out the livers of rats and fed them ginseng, whereupon good-size parts of their livers grew back. A Dr Lee of the Ginseng and

Tobacco Research Institute found that tar left in smokers' livers was cleaned away by ginseng. Dr Kim of Wonkwang University injected lead into mice, gave them ginseng, and most of the lead vanished. Professor Huh of Youngnam University made his rats into chronic alcoholics, gave them ginseng, and they went corporately on the wagon. Professor Joo of Yonsei University fed rabbits with a forage that contained lots of cholesterol, gave them ginseng, and the cholesterol levels in their blood dropped away to nothing. A Bulgarian doctor found that ginseng lowered stress. A Professor Hong found it made hens lay more eggs. An English researcher named Fulder gave ginseng to nurses on night shift and found that they perked up — the list goes on and on, credible or not I cannot tell. The claims made for the improving qualities of ginseng are perhaps more catholic and numerous than for any other substance known.

**Energy**  
My own impression is that ginseng does no good. Ha had told me that the effects of his infusion would be noticeable within minutes — and noticeable they most certainly were. I became unaccountably full of energy. I had all the cheerful enthusiasm of an early drunk, and yet all my faculties were quite normal and I was in full control. I have in consequence taken ginseng pretty regularly ever since. I will not know for many years if it prolongs my life; I have few enough serious ailments to know whether it is chipping away at their effects; I cannot look at my arteries to see if the cholesterol is being corroded nor into my liver to see if dying cells are being regenerated. If it is, as claimed, an elixir that promotes spermatogenesis, then I am happy to know, but have no access to proof. All I do know is this: when I take ginseng, I end up feeling pretty good. (Not that I feel bad if I don't take it — there is no suggestion that ginseng is in any way addictive.) People tell me: I look fitter than for some time. And I like the taste. Maybe it is all some mighty Korean confidence trick; maybe ginseng extracts have no more than a placebo effect, and one that works wonders on the suggestible psyches of people like me. I am well aware I might be being taken for an almighty ride and that Ha and his brother tricksters at Korea's Office of Monopoly may well be laughing behind their hands at how all the yangnom fall for all this guff about saponins and terpenoids and help jolly along Korea's millions of dollars in profits each year. Maybe, but somehow, knowing full well for how long the Chinese have accepted the medicinal value of the root, I doubt it. Puyo town provided a revelation for me, and one that will take me some long while to forget.



Winchester in Korea: "If it is an elixir that promotes spermatogenesis, I am happy to know but have no access to proof."



The ginseng root is the most readily recognisable icon in modern Korea.

## Clinical trials could lead to cure for genetic disorder

CLINICAL trials will follow the success of British scientists in isolating and cloning a vital enzyme that is thought to be the key to combating the genetic disorder, cystic fibrosis, as well as chronic pancreatitis.

It is known that sufferers of these conditions are unable to digest nutritional fats and as a result suffer from malnutrition. The reason is a shortage of a lipase enzyme normally secreted by the pancreas.

Current therapy is to take a lipase enzyme preparation derived from the pancreas of pigs, but there has long been a need for a product containing human gastric lipase that can offer improved efficacy and lower dosage.

The challenge was therefore to identify a naturally occurring enzyme that is acid stable and therefore capable of oral administration in low doses. The existence of such an enzyme that is secreted in the stomach rather than the pancreas has been a matter of controversy for many years.

But now researchers from the Celltech biotechnology company in Slough, near London, have confirmed that such an enzyme does exist and has not only isolated it but also proved its acid stability and brought it to the stage where it can be genetically engineered in yeast for bulk production.

Celltech says the next stage will be initial production and clinical trials of the man-made human enzyme. Both the enzyme and the process being developed to make it have been protected by patent applications.

By Christian Doyle

RECENTLY, John, an energetic 25-year-old chauffeur, retired early to bed on the Friday evening. He suffered from asthma, and "did not feel very well," he told Sue, his 19-year-old common-law wife and mother of their six-month-old baby girl.

In the middle of the night the baby's crying woke Sue. When she returned to bed she found John gasping for breath, foaming at the mouth and very blue. His "puffer" — or inhaler, containing a bronchodilating drug to open narrow, suffocating airways — lay by his side.

By the time an ambulance team had arrived, given emergency treatment, manoeuvred John down some 80 stairs from their bedsit and rushed him to the nearby London teaching hospital he was beyond help.

John has become yet another statistic to add to a mystifying annual rise in asthma deaths at a time when drugs to treat asthma are increasingly effective and allow sufferers to lead normal lives. Allergy and chest experts around the world are now trying to solve the paradox of why deaths are increasing.

"No-one should die of asthma," said Dr William Franklin, a leading allergist and immunologist from Boston, at a recent conference in America.

Around 2,000 people die from asthma in Britain each year, almost doubling the figure for 10 years ago. More than a third are under the age of 55. Asthma deaths remain rare when compared with other diseases, such as heart attacks or lung cancer. None the less, there were about 34 per million deaths in men and 45 per million deaths in women at the latest count, compared with a rate per million of 22 men and 26 women in 1975.

Only two years ago, the Royal College of General Practitioners' working party in this country estimated: "Between

## False reassurance may prove fatal

80 and 90 per cent of deaths from asthma could be avoided." A possible explanation is that the general prevalence of asthma in the Western world may be increasing.

Growing pollution, psychosocial stresses such as unem-

ployment, lack of access to medical services or failure to use them adequately are among other possibilities.

## Over-reliance

Another more direct explanation could be that "over-reliance" on the very effective and apparently safe bron-

chodilating drugs — which include salbutamol and terbutaline — developed over the past decade are responsible for the extra deaths. But specialists are emphatic that these new drugs are "not being over-used or abused" as was the case with an "epidemic" of asthma

deaths more than 20 years ago. "It would, for example, be practically impossible to commit suicide with them," says Dr Mack Cochrane, consultant physician at Guy's Hospital. However, reassured by the effectiveness of the drugs to open their narrowed airways

and calm muscle spasms, asthma patients may not realise when they are critically ill and on the verge of a life-threatening attack.

Dr Cochrane explains: "They, or parents of asthmatic children, may not even hear a wheeze — this is particularly the case with small children — and delay seeking emergency help, which includes steroid injections, at the very moment when it is most needed."

Further, he maintains, for the same reason both doctors in general practice and in hospitals may fail to assess or appreciate the severity of attacks. One theory is that when drugs were less effective, asthma sufferers sought help earlier.

Growing scientific understanding of "two stages" in the progression of asthma suggests how over-reliance on drugs could mask an acute attack.

"Until relatively recently, our emphasis was chiefly on the acute early effects of the airways, which may be triggered by such things as cats' hair, house dust mites, cigarette smoke or infection," says Professor Timothy Williams, who is about to head a new research group, partly sponsored by the Asthma Research Council, at the Brompton Hospital in London.

Wheezing, mucus production, swelling and constriction of the airways are all early effects that may disappear after some time.

"Now we are concentrating much more on the delayed late effects of the attack, which may lead to a slow build-up of a chronic inflammatory reaction, with changes in the muscle cells which narrow the airways and make them increasingly sensitive to things which may trigger wheezing and shortness of breath."

Dr Philip Lieberman, president of the US Allergy and Immunology Academy, suggests that during this "silent" late stage, lung cells may be "hypersensitive" to other pos-

sible asthma triggers, such as the weather, fumes or unusual odours, for days or weeks.

Further, the airways may also be less responsive to the asthma patients' usual drugs. Patients take their dilators during an initial attack and believe that all is well. But, in the throes of a late-stage attack, they keep on puffing at the drugs when they should be seeking urgent treatment.

Dr Cochrane and other asthma specialists stress that they do not want to scare patients into not using their inhalers. However, they point out that doctors, as well as sufferers, may fail to recognise the gravity of an attack.

**Test**  
"A simple two-minute test to measure the air patients are able to push out of their lungs would enable them to assess the situation, but often it is not given," Dr Franklin says.

Dr Cochrane agrees: "Patients should be helped to take more responsibility themselves." Many more could be given "peak flow meters," so they could regularly assess the maximum "push" from their lungs themselves. These meters, which cost between £7 and £10, could give patients an early-warning guide to late-stage attack.

Another major problem, according to Dr Cochrane, is "under-diagnosis by doctors of asthma." The RCGP working party told doctors that deaths could be avoided by "better recognition and assessment, better management, patient education and prompt and energetic treatment."

Dr Cochrane says: "Studies show that some asthmatics die before the diagnosis has been made." Like heart disease, asthma is not a clear-cut ailment with a single cause, and there is unlikely to be a simple way of cutting the death toll. But many specialists feel, Dr Cochrane among them, that the time has come for special individual inquiries into many of these extra deaths.



Growing pollution is a possible cause in the increase of asthma in the Western world.







# Share prices turn mixed

ALSHALL Index for Kuwaiti shareholding companies recorded on Wednesday an average of 46.22 points with an increase of 2.41 points over last week's average. Alshall Index for Gulf shareholding companies reached 50.37 points with an increase of 0.43 points for the same period.

The trading volume for Kuwaiti shares reached 31.86 million shares at a daily average of 31.86 million shares (one-day trading only) with an increase of 23.4 per cent over the previous week's daily average of 25.82 million shares. Gulf traded shares reached 9.28 million shares at a daily average of 9.28 million shares with an increase of 1.6 per cent last week's daily average of 9.43 million shares.

The value of Kuwaiti traded shares was KD31.85 million at a daily average of KD31.85 million, an increase of 73 per cent over last week's daily average of KD 7.929 million.

The value of Gulf traded shares was KD0.738 million at a daily average of KD0.738 million a decrease of 13 per cent from last week's daily average of KD 0.848 million.

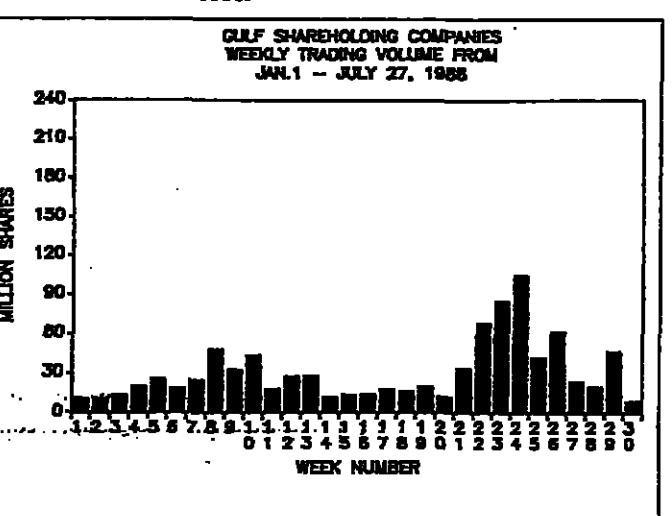
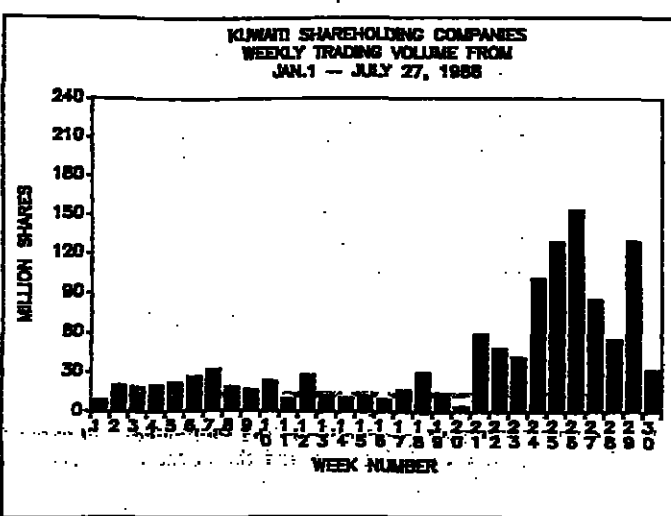
Because of Eid Al Adha holiday the performance of this week is not very indicative as it covered only one day of activity, although it was more in the active side particularly to Kuwaiti shares.

The banking sector dominated trading at 79 per cent of total trading, followed by services sector at 7.4 per cent and investment sector at 6 per cent.

As for the Gulf shares market, the financial sector, although decline, is still having the lead of total traded shares at 74 per cent with Coast Investment and Development Company resuming the lead at 50 per cent of the total Gulf shares market, followed by Ras Al Khaima White Cement at 21.5 per cent then Bahrain International Bank at 16 per cent.

| Kuwait Insurance Co.      | 40.77  | 40.77  | —     |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Gulf Insurance Co.        | 26.92  | 26.92  | —     |
| Al Ahleia Insurance Co.   | 52.16  | 52.16  | —     |
| Warba Insurance Co.       | 80.76  | 80.76  | —     |
| Sector Index              | 41.15  | 41.15  | —     |
| Real Estate Sector        |        |        |       |
| Kuwait Real Estate        | 31.10  | 29.82  | 1.27  |
| United Realty             | 12.96  | 12.51  | 0.45  |
| National Real Estate      | 43.80  | 43.80  | —     |
| Sector Index              | 22.77  | 22.15  | 0.62  |
| Industrial Sector         |        |        |       |
| Kuwait Cement Co.         | 17.38  | 17.38  | —     |
| Refrigeration Indust.     | 88.94  | 88.94  | —     |
| Gulf Cables               | 110.04 | 110.04 | —     |
| Kuwait Pharmaceutical     | 105.78 | 96.89  | 8.89  |
| Sector Index              | 36.50  | 36.08  | 0.41  |
| Services Sector           |        |        |       |
| Kuwait Computer Co.       | 207.36 | 205.20 | 2.16  |
| Kuwait Cinema Co.         | 9.04   | 9.04   | —     |
| Public Warehousing Co.    | 95.96  | 93.94  | 2.02  |
| Kuwait Comm. Markets Co.  | 41.95  | 40.95  | 1.00  |
| Mobile Telephone Syst.    | 414.29 | 390.48 | 23.81 |
| Sector Index              | 75.43  | 72.43  | 2.99  |
| Food Sector               |        |        |       |
| Livestock Trad. & Transp. | 47.60  | 46.79  | 0.81  |
| United Fisheries          | 10.91  | 10.91  | —     |
| Kuwait United Poultry     | 85.81  | 85.81  | —     |
| Kuwait Food Co.           | 74.71  | 74.71  | —     |
| Sector Index              | 43.78  | 43.47  | 0.30  |
| Overall Index             | 46.22  | 43.81  | 2.41  |

| Gulf shareholding companies index |                       |                       |                  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
|                                   | Wednesday<br>27/07/88 | Wednesday<br>20/07/88 | Change<br>points |
| <b>Financial Companies</b>        |                       |                       |                  |
| First Gulf Bank                   | 163.16                | 163.16                | —                |
| United Gulf Bank                  | 34.48                 | 34.48                 | —                |
| Bahrain Internat. Bank            | 95.55                 | 95.17                 | 1.38             |
| Bahrain M. East Bank              | 87.32                 | 87.32                 | —                |
| Gulf Investments Co.              | 61.03                 | 61.03                 | —                |
| Coast Inv. & Dev. Co.             | 112.38                | 110.48                | 1.90             |
| Bahrain Kuwait Inv. Gro.          | 61.85                 | 61.85                 | —                |
| Arabian Gen. Inv. (SHUAA)         | 56.06                 | 55.30                 | 0.76             |
| <b>Sector Index</b>               | <b>66.16</b>          | <b>65.73</b>          | <b>0.43</b>      |
| <b>Other Companies</b>            |                       |                       |                  |
| Gulf Cement (fully paid)          | 13.68                 | 13.68                 | —                |
| Sharjah Cement                    | 10.50                 | 10.50                 | —                |
| Fujaira Cement                    | 11.84                 | 11.84                 | —                |
| Ras Al Khaima W. Cement           | 27.78                 | 26.11                 | 1.67             |
| Gulf Medical Projects             | 29.80                 | 29.80                 | —                |
| <b>Sector Index</b>               | <b>17.05</b>          | <b>16.62</b>          | <b>0.43</b>      |
| <b>Overall Index</b>              | <b>50.30</b>          | <b>49.87</b>          | <b>0.43</b>      |
| Base Period 31/12/1983.           |                       |                       |                  |



## Kuwait dinar deposit rates steady

KUWAITI dinar deposit rates were steady yesterday, unaffected by a Central Bank announcement of a 100 million dinar (\$357 million) three-month Treasury bill issue on Wednesday.

Dealers said the market remained highly liquid from government salary payments. They had discounted the new bill issue since it merely rolls over a previous one for the same amount that matures on the same day.

Overnight business was at 1/4 per cent, while other short rates were well offered at one per cent or less.

One-week deposits were quoted at four, three per cent, while the fixed periods were virtually unchanged from Thursday.

One-month was put at 5-3/8, 4-7/8 per cent, two-month at 5-7/8, 3-3/8, three-month at 6-1/4, 5-3/4, six-month at 6-1/2, six per cent and one-year at 6-5/8, 1/8.

The Central Bank changed its dinar exchange rate softer to 0.28346/56 to the dollar from Thursday's 0.28304/14, while commercial banks quoted spot rates of around 0.28350/60.

Meanwhile, Saudi riyal deposit rates were steady yesterday as banks in the kingdom reopened after a 10-day Muslim Haj holiday and as the Saudi government made its fourth 1.5 billion riyal (\$400 million) offering of government bonds.

Dealers reported little activity, but predicted the market would return to full swing on Monday when European banks opened.

Banks in Bahrain, which ended the holiday earlier, had bid rates firmer the previous week to match rising dollar interest rates.

Unchanged

The Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA) telexed banks yesterday to offer development bonds in one to five year maturities and bankers said the format was unchanged from previous issues.

Deposit rates were little changed from Thursday before the Friday Gulf weekend. One and three-months were quoted at 8-3/4, 1/2 per cent, six-months at 8-7/8, 1/2, and one-year at nine, 3-3/4.

Spot-next and one-week were both quoted at 8-3/4, 1/4 per cent.

The spot riyal firmed to 3.7507/12 to the dollar from 3.7510 on Thursday.

| KUWAIT            |       |       |       |       |         |      |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|------|
| BANK SECTOR       | P.CLS | LT    | HIGH  | LOW   | VOL     | TRAD |
| -NATIONAL BANK    | 1.040 | 1.140 | 1.140 | 1.040 | 3245000 | 126  |
| -GULF BANK        | 0.440 | 0.470 | 0.475 | 0.440 | 3250000 | 99   |
| -COMMERCIAL BK    | 0.325 | 0.355 | 0.360 | 0.335 | 5770000 | 174  |
| -AHLI BANK        | 0.410 | 0.445 | 0.455 | 0.420 | 3600000 | 111  |
| -B.K.M.E.         | 0.420 | 0.430 | 0.430 | 0.430 | 100000  | 3    |
| -K.R.E.B.         | 0.460 | 0.480 | 0.480 | 0.475 | 30000   | 2    |
| -BURGAN BANK      | 0.325 | 0.350 | 0.355 | 0.330 | 5200000 | 193  |
| -K.F.HOUSE        | 0.510 | 0.550 | 0.570 | 0.520 | 3950000 | 129  |
| INVESTMENT SECTOR |       |       |       |       |         |      |
| -KUT INV. CO.     | 0.188 | 0.190 | 0.192 | 0.188 | 320000  | 11   |
| -K.F.T.C.I.C.     | 0.210 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -K.I.I.C.         | 0.180 | 0.182 | 0.188 | 0.180 | 740000  | 18   |
| -CON.FACILITIES   | 0.490 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -AHLIAH INV.      | 0.000 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -I.F.A.           | 0.110 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -INV. PEARL KWT   | 0.114 | 0.116 | 0.118 | 0.116 | 500000  | 10   |
| INSURANCE SECTOR  |       |       |       |       |         |      |
| -KUT INSURANCE    | 0.750 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -GULF INSURANCE   | 0.350 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -AHLIA INS. CO.   | 0.590 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -WARBA INS. CO.   | 0.470 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| REAL EST SECTOR   |       |       |       |       |         |      |
| -KUT R.EST. CO.   | 0.234 | 0.244 | 0.244 | 0.240 | 100000  | 4    |
| -UNIT R.EST. CO.  | 0.112 | 0.116 | 0.118 | 0.116 | 220000  | 7    |
| -NAT R.EST. CO.   | 0.220 | 0.220 | 0.220 | 0.220 | 360000  | 7    |
| -SALAHIA R.E.     | 0.080 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -KUT PROJECTS     | 0.089 | 0.090 | 0.090 | 0.090 | 1020000 | 11   |
| -KUT R.E.I.CO     | 0.000 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| INDUSTRY SECTOR   |       |       |       |       |         |      |
| -NAT IND. CO.     | 0.500 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -KUT M.P. IND.    | 0.335 | 0.350 | 0.350 | 0.350 | 10000   | 1    |
| -KUT CEMENT CO.   | 0.255 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -REF. IND. CO.    | 0.405 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -N.A.M.T.CO.      | 0.000 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -GULF CABLE       | 1.070 | 1.070 | 1.070 | 1.070 | 10000   | 2    |
| -K.P.W.IND.CO.    | 0.218 | 0.238 | 0.238 | 0.228 | 460000  | 10   |
| -CONT.MARINE      | 0.350 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -K.SH.REP.CO.     | 0.046 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| SERVICES SECTOR   |       |       |       |       |         |      |
| -OVERLAND TRANS   | 0.082 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -K.N.C. CO.       | 0.190 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -KUT HOTELS CO.   | 0.170 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -P.WAREHOUSING    | 0.186 | 0.190 | 0.190 | 0.190 | 160000  | 3    |
| -CON.MKT.CMPK.    | 0.020 | 0.021 | 0.021 | 0.021 | 120000  | 1    |
| -MOBILE TELE.     | 0.410 | 0.435 | 0.435 | 0.420 | 510000  | 18   |
| -KUT COMPUTER     | 0.190 | 0.192 | 0.192 | 0.190 | 500000  | 13   |
| FOOD SECTOR       |       |       |       |       |         |      |
| -LIVESTOCK T.T.   | 0.230 | 0.234 | 0.234 | 0.230 | 100000  | 3    |
| -UNIT FISHERIES   | 0.154 | 0.154 | 0.154 | 0.154 | 100000  | 1    |
| -UNITD POULTRY    | 0.234 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -KUT FOODS        | 0.235 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -AGRI.FOOD PRD.   | 0.150 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| NON-KUT SECTOR    |       |       |       |       |         |      |
| -BHN. INTERST.BK  | 0.069 | 0.070 | 0.070 | 0.069 | 1520000 | 15   |
| -BHN.M.EAST.BK    | 0.046 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -UNITD GULF BK    | 0.000 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -COAST INVEST.    | 0.116 | 0.118 | 0.120 | 0.116 | 4640000 | 80   |
| -A.G. INV. CORP.  | 0.036 | 0.037 | 0.037 | 0.036 | 720000  | 7    |
| -FIRST GULF BK    | 0.020 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |
| -B.K.I.G.         | 0.080 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---  |

| KUWAIT STOCK EXCHANGE                   |       |       |       |       |         |       |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| COMPANIES LISTED ON THE PARALLEL MARKET | P.CLS | LT    | HIGH  | LOW   | VOL     | TRADE |
| FINANCIAL SECTOR                        |       |       |       |       |         |       |
| PEARL INV.CO.                           | 0.998 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| GULF INV.CO.                            | 0.041 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| GULF INTL INS                           | 0.009 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| ARAB INT CO.                            | 0.055 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| SHARJAH INS                             | 0.000 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| GULF UNION INS                          | 0.070 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| INDUSTRIAL SECTOR                       |       |       |       |       |         |       |
| B-GULF MEDICAL                          | 0.027 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| C-R.K.WHITE CMT                         | 0.023 | 0.025 | 0.025 | 0.025 | 2000000 | 8     |
| D-AJMAN CEMENT                          | 0.007 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| E-FUJAIRAH CMT                          | 0.007 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| F-SHARJAH CEMENT                        | 0.010 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| G-GULF CEMENT                           | 0.016 | ---   | ---   | ---   | ---     | ---   |
| H-UNN QATIAIN                           | 0.020 | 0.021 | 0.021 | 0.021 | 400000  | 3     |

Two more currencies come under FCNR scheme

RESERVE Bank of India (RBI) has announced that two more currencies DM and yen from August 1, 1988 would come under FCNR scheme. It also indicated that the interest rates applicable to deposits would be different for each currency.

| Period                | Dollar | STG   | DM   | Yen  |
|-----------------------|--------|-------|------|------|
| 1. 6 months and above | 9.00   | 11.25 | 5.75 | 5.25 |
| 2. 1 year and above   | 9.50   | 11.50 | 6.00 | 5.50 |
| 3. 2 years and above  | 9.75   | 11.75 | 6.25 | 5.75 |
| 4. 3 years only       | 10.00  | 11.75 | 6.50 | 5.75 |

## Stock exchanges told to tap vast surplus of rural funds

MADRAS, July 30: Dr S.R.K. Rao, former principal adviser, Reserve Bank of India, has called for the spread of equity culture into rural and semi-urban areas to tap the vast surplus available there. In this connection he stressed the vital role of the country's 15 stock exchanges had to play. If institutions such as LIC, post offices, UTI could raise money (through their agents) why not stock exchanges, he posed the question in an address to the stock brokers gathered under the aegis of the Madras Stock Exchange, reports Economic Times.

Pointing out that industrialisation is taking rapid strides in semi-urban and rural areas also, Dr Rao said that "stock exchanges which hitherto have been enjoying cloistered existence in urban areas will have to tap the savings talent in the rural and semi-urban areas through the spread of equity culture among the savers in those areas." They should mobilise the rural savings and channel them into scrips, debentures etc.

Demand

According to Dr Rao, the projected demand of funds for the corporate sector would call for massive resource mobilisation effort and stock exchanges should spread their wings to non-urban areas. In the present situation the shareholding of rural and semi-urban areas hardly accounts for 6 per cent of the total with Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi accounting for 90 per cent (Bombay alone accounts for 35 per cent).

Arguing that stock exchanges should not be converted into "gambling or manipulation of the market by a few vested interests," he suggested strict screening of scrips before listing by a committee. The existing flexible rules to list, delist and re-list of companies' scrips "should be scrapped." Similarly insider trading ("worst base of stock exchanges," he put it) should be tackled through a suitable law. "Strict vigilance and penal action should be taken against the perpetrators of this crime," he added.

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# Aouita speeds to easy 1,000m win

EDINBURGH, July 30, (Reuters): Said Aouita overcame a chilly night, gusting wind and the challenge of Briton Tom McKean to sweep to victory in the 1,000 metres at the Edinburgh Grand Prix athletics meeting last night.

The Moroccan Olympic and world 5,000 metres champion again demonstrated his astonishing versatility over a variety of distances with his fifth consecutive victory in as many Grand Prix meetings.

Sheltering behind Australian pacemaker Peter Stubbs, Aouita went through the bell 15 metres clear of Briton David Sharpe.

Impression

McKean, the European 800 metres silver medalist who has looked impressively sharp this season, tried to claw his way back into the race but could make no impression on the flying Moroccan.

Aouita strode across the finish line in a time of two minutes 18.32 seconds while Sharpe, the European indoor 800 metres champion, snatched back second place from McKean to clock 2:19.89. McKean, who seemed to be struggling in the straight, was third in 2:20.50.

Aouita did not appear for the scheduled news conference but in a brief chat with meeting officials confirmed what every spectator in the stadium already knew when he said that it had been very cold.

He also confirmed that he definitely planned to run both



Aouita (No. 1) heads for the finish line. (Reuters wirephoto)

the 800 and 1,500 metres in the Seoul Olympics.

McKean did speak at some length but was little more forthcoming.

The Scot said he was disappointed at not being able to pick up the pace but added that for him the season really started with

next week's British trials.

World bronze medalist Colin Jackson gave one glimpse of what the trials might hold when he raced to victory in the 110 metres hurdles.

Jackson, helped by a following wind of 3.31 metres a second, clocked 13.21 seconds to finish

well clear of fellow-Briton Tony Jarrett who finished in 13.35.

Britain's world silver medalist Jon Ridgeon got a good start but faded to finish third in 13.45.

Paula Ivan, fastest woman over 1,500 metres this year, again demonstrated that she will be a major threat in Seoul when she won the women's mile in 4:25.80 — more than six seconds ahead of American Regina Jacobs.

But fellow-Romanian Marica Puica, the Olympic 3,000 metres champion, was one of a number of late defections.

Romanian officials said the 38-year-old Puica had decided to stay home and concentrate on her training.

Harry 'Butch' Reynolds, fastest man ever over 400 metres at sea level, won his race as expected in 45.26 seconds.

The American ran a conservative first 200 then smoothly turned on the power to win with consummate ease.

Danny Harris, the Olympic and world silver medalist who failed to make this year's US Olympic team, gave a smooth and stylish exhibition of 400 metres hurdling in the second track event of the evening.

Harris conserved his energy on the back straight, then accelerated in the final stretch to win in 49.59 seconds. Jamaican Winthrop Graham was second in 50.10.

Danette Young, yet another talented American sprinter who failed to make the team for Seoul, made no contest of the women's 200 metres when she sped to vic-

tory in 22.50 seconds.

Young, helped by a following wind of 3.73 metres, was well clear of Briton Paula Dunn who clocked 23.10.

American Dennis Mitchell, who arrived in Edinburgh thinking he was to run in a 100 metres race, found instead to his astonishment that he had been asked to run one of two 110 metres handicap races.

Mitchell, starting from scratch, did not appear to be trying and managed only fifth place.

The American, who finished second in the 100 metres in the US trials to Olympic champion Carl Lewis, was also outdone by Briton Linford Christie in what seemed an unofficial competition.

Mitchell wore a white top and black tights to combat the cold wind while Christie flaunted a spectacular bright red body suit.

Scratch

Christie, the European 100 champion, also running off scratch, finished second in his race.

Not all the Olympic medal contenders had a happy meet, however.

Olympic women's javelin champion Tessa Sanderson left the arena in tears after managing only three throws because of an Achilles tendon injury.

Her best of 60.08 metres (197 feet) was enough to give her third place behind Hungary's Katalin Hartai but was well short of the 71.70 (235) feet she threw two weeks ago to give her the second best in the world this year.



Astafei raises her arms in the air after setting the record. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Romanian breaks own world high jump mark

SUDBURY, Ontario, July 30, (Reuters): Galina Astafei of Romania may have earned a trip to the Olympics by breaking her high jump record yesterday, but East German women continued to dominate the World Junior Athletics Championships.

East German Gkit Breuer outkicked fading American Maicee Malone over the last 50 metres to win the women's 400 metres in 51.24 seconds. Malone was second in 52.23.

Heat

Breuer's teammate Birthe Bruhns, holder of the 800-metre world junior record of 1:59.17, easily won the event in 2:00.67 in heat that reached 30 degrees Celsius. Catalina Gheorghiu of Romania was second in 2:01.96.

Antje Axmann won the third gold medal of the day for East German when she edged out Belgium's Ann Maenhout in the 400-metre hurdles with a winning time of 57.47 seconds.

Astafei took the gold medal

with a leap of 2.00 metres on her first jump, breaking her previous world junior mark of 1.98, which was equalled by Elena Elesina of the Soviet Union, who captured the silver. East German Karin Scholz was third with a jump of 1.92 metres.

Lift

Astafei tried to better her new standard, but failed in three attempts at 2.02 metres.

Astafei, 19, said Romanian athletics officials told her she might earn a trip to Seoul if she cleared two metres.

"If I go to the Olympics I will need to improve my technique over the bar and need to get a better lift off after my approach run," Astafei said.

Jonah Birir of Kenya outpaced Britain's Kevin McKay to take the men's 800-metres in 1:50.03. McKay, who had taken the lead from Birir at the 700-metre mark, wilted down the straight and finished in 1:50.79.

Melfort Homela of Zimbabwe was third.

## All Blacks crush Australia

SYDNEY, July 30, (Reuters): Flyhalf Grant Fox kicked 18 points to set an All Black scoring record and guide New Zealand to a 30-9 victory over Australia in the third and final rugby union Test today.

New Zealand, who took the series 2-0 having been held 19-19 in the second Test after winning the first 32-7, were in the driving seat from the second minute when scrumhalf Bruce Deans plunged over for a try after a typical storming start by the touring side.

Fox's right boot stretched the lead to 12-0 after 17 minutes after which the touring side eased the pressure against an outgunned Australia.

Vintage

But the world champions ended their unbeaten 13-match tour in style with a vintage 15 minutes of attacking rugby leading to the final whistle.

Winger John Kirwan, who had seen little of the ball in the first half, rounded off a 30-metre break by flank forward Michael Jones to ground his 22nd try in just 25 Tests.

John Gallagher also joined the late scoring spree with a fine try wide on the right to confirm his

rating as the most exciting full-back in the world.

Flyhalf Fox, in yet another error-free kicking performance, notched four penalties and three conversions to take his points total to 214, seven more than legendary fullback Don Clarke.

Australia were a shadow of the courageous side which drew the second Test but they managed to breach the New Zealand defence in the dying seconds when flyhalf Lloyd Walker forced his way over for a try.

From a lineout after 60 seconds the ball was spread wide twice by New Zealand in the search for an opening before a ruck on top of the Australian line allowed Deans to pick up and score.

Fox converted and then added a penalty when Australian flanker Jeff Miller held down Jones at a lineout. Another foolish mistake, after Gallagher was stopped just short by the home defence, allowed Fox a further three points.

Andrew Leeds put Australia on the board with a penalty just before half-time. But his side never threatened the All Black lead after the break as Fox meticulously added to his points' collection.

As Vaca was ahead on the judges' scorecards, he was awarded the title which he held until March when Honeyghan stopped him in three rounds to reclaim his crown.

"I don't think the punch was as hard as he made out," said Honeyghan, who was leading on the three judges' cards at the time. "As I was coming up, he held my head down, so there was no leverage."

"I think he was pretending, trying to get me disqualified ... it's a bad way for him to try to win. I've been caught (in the groin) in sparring and it's no big deal. You just carry on instead of rolling all over."

Chung said: "I don't call this boxing. This is street fighting."

## Pargat and Thoiba help India tame Pakistan

NEW DELHI, July 30, (Reuters): A three-goal burst in four minutes during the first half by Pargat Singh and Thoiba Singh thrust India's resurgent hockey team to a 3-2 victory over Olympic champions Pakistan today.

It was India's third successive win over their great rivals — they twice beat Pakistan in 1987 — and lifted their confidence at the start of a six-Test series between the teams.

Exchanges

The matches are designed as a warm-up for the forthcoming Seoul Olympics, and the Indians soon showed the 15,000-strong crowd they had put a long spell in the doldrums behind them as they dominated the early exchanges.

Pargat Singh rapped home a penalty corner in the 24th minute, and two minutes later left-winger Thoiba Singh cracked home another from just inside the circle. After 28 minutes, he latched onto a measured, scooped pass, swivelled inside a Pakistani defender, and fired in an unstoppable shot.

Pakistani dangerman Shahbaz was virtually shut down by the tight Indian defence, but he managed to break free just once to score in the 51st minute and give his side some hope.

But the Pakistanis never showed the teamwork the Indians displayed under mid-field general Merwyn Fernandes, and the home side could have extended their lead several times but for poor finishing.

Passing

Ultimately, Pakistan made the score look respectable with some clever passing round the circle from a penalty corner in the 69th minute which ended with Tariq Sheikh slipping the ball home from two metres.

The two sides are playing three Tests in each country. The second, in the north Indian city of Lucknow, is scheduled for August 1.

## Griffith-Joyner moves Kersee out

LOS ANGELES, July 30, (Reuters): Women's 100-metres world record holder Florence Griffith-Joyner said yesterday her husband Al had replaced Bob Kersee as her coach.

"Bobby is bombarded with athletes and I'm not getting the one-on-one contact I need," Griffith-Joyner said after her decision to drop Kersee, her brother-in-law.

Al Joyner, who won the 1984 Olympic triple jump gold medal, had shared training duties with Kersee, but will now coach her full time, Griffith-Joyner said.

## Montana set to stamp his authority

LONDON, July 30, (Reuters): Joe Montana, one of American football's greatest ever quarterbacks, will use the foreign battlefield of Wembley stadium tomorrow to prove he is ready to marshal the San Francisco 49ers through another Super Bowl campaign.

Montana will lead his troops against the Miami Dolphins and their brilliant general Dan Marino in London's American Bowl III in a match which will give 80,000 fans at the famous home of English soccer a taste of top-flight National Football League (NFL) action before the regular US season opens in September.

Understudy It will also give 31-year-old Montana the chance to prove he, and not his highly-regarded understudy Steve Young, is the man to steer the 49ers towards their third Super Bowl victory in January.

Montana has only recently recovered from elbow surgery and was nearly forced to quit the game two years ago after a back operation.

But Montana, voted the Most Valuable Player when the 49ers routed the Dolphins in the last Super Bowl success in 1985, is determined to continue riding the bone-crushing tackles for as



Dolphins' Michel James hangs on to the ball in the air while 49er's Chet Brooks tries to get it during yesterday's practice. (Reuters wirephoto)

long as possible, despite the obvious risks.

"I like to take it year by year

but I figure on playing for another three or four years, longer if I can," he said.

## America's Cup to start on September 7

SAN DIEGO, July 30, (Reuters): The San Diego Yacht Club announced yesterday that they will begin their defence of the America's Cup against New Zealand on September 7 with the next two races to be held on September 9 and 11.

The dates of the event, which must be a minimum best-of-three races, represents a rare agreement between the Cup holders and the New Zealand challengers.

Michael Fay, who heads the syndicate from New Zealand's

Mercury Bay Boating Club, said he had always been prepared to change the dates of the races to avoid a conflict with the Seoul Olympics which begin September 17.

Needed

New York judge Carmen Ciparick, who earlier in the week refused to ban the San Diego Yacht Club from racing a catamaran against New Zealand's single-hull sloop, had set September 19 as the start date.

"It was important for a lot of other people to settle the date issue quickly," Fay said. "Everyone from airlines to hotels, communications networks and outside agencies like port authorities needed to know the date as quickly as possible to let them plan."

The opposing syndicates plan to meet next week to iron out details for the impending races, a spokesman for the San America Foundation, which is managing the Cup defence for the San Diego Yacht Club, said.

## Kenwood Cup

HONOLULU, July 30, (AP): America's Cup skipper Dennis Conner got off to the best start, but Rod Muir's Windward Passage II in the first of the Kenwood Cup's two maxi championship races.

Windward Passage II placed first ahead of Il Moro di Venezia of Italy and another Australian entry, Sovereign, in the 20-mile (32.1-kilometre) triangle race off Waikiki Beach yesterday, the day before the start of the Kenwood Cup Hawaii International Ocean Racing Series.

## Honeyghan and Molinares triumph on controversial punches

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., July 30, (Reuters): Britain's Lloyd Honeyghan retained his version of the world welterweight title, but American Marion Starling lost his share of the crown in two dramatic fights which ended amid controversy last night.

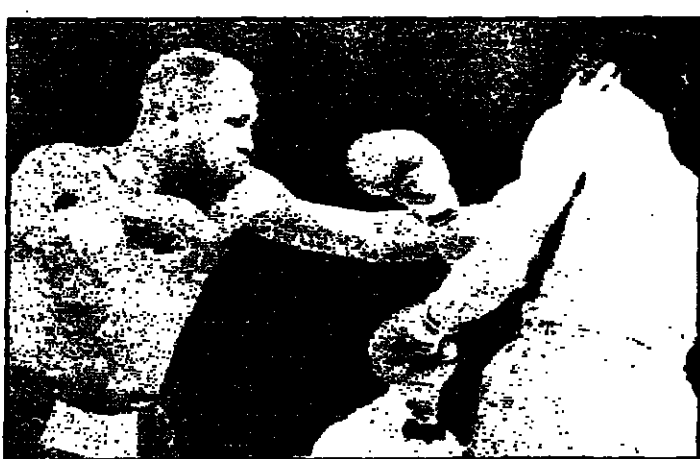
Honeyghan kept the World Boxing Council (WBC) championship when South Korean Chung Yung-Kil quit after being hit by what was ruled an unintentional low blow in the fifth round of their scheduled 12-rounder.

Launched In the second welterweight title fight on the card, Colombian Tomas Molinares took the World Boxing Association (WBA) title from American Marion Starling with a punch which referee Joe Cortez decided was launched as the bell rang to signal the end of the sixth round.

But many ringers thought the clubbing right to the head which dropped Starling to the canvas like a sack of rocks was thrown after the bell sounded.

Starling, who had been in line for a unification bout against Honeyghan later this year, was counted out as he struggled to get back to his feet.

The former champion, who



Honeyghan (left) delivers a stiff left jab to Chung. (Reuters wirephoto)

had been in front on the judges' cards, was still devastated by the outcome long after the end of the bout. "I felt in control," said Starling. "I don't think he's the champion, I'm going to protest."

Molinares, Colombia's first world welterweight champion, was peppered with questions about the final punch.

"I won my title up in the ring where it's supposed to be done. If you guys want to take it away

here, go ahead," said Molinares through an interpreter.

At first, it was suspected that Starling had broken his right ankle when he fell but a hospital examination showed only a slight sprain.

Honeyghan was involved in an exciting brawl with the 24-year-old Chung, whom the Briton said had "a chin like a rock." But it was not the South Korean's chin which Honeyghan struck to end



Chung lays motionless after receiving a low blow. (Reuters wirephoto)

the fight.

A left hook to the groin sent Chung to the floor via the ropes after 42 seconds of the fifth round. He rolled over several times, groaning and writhing on the canvas and officials said they would allow him five minutes to recover.

After three minutes, the South Korean said he could not continue and Honeyghan retained his title under the WBC rule

which says a fighter who lands an unintentional low blow is penalised one point and his opponent has five minutes to recover or be declared the loser.

"I've never seen such a dirty fighter in my life," the beaten challenger said through an interpreter. "I've studied tapes of Honeyghan's fights many times and my coach told me to be careful because he butts all the time. In the first three or four

## BASEBALL ROUNDUP

### Red Sox outplay Brewers

NEW YORK, July 30, (AP): Joe Morgan didn't think managing the Boston Red Sox would amount to a summer vacation.

"Ain't it easy, gentlemen?" a grinning Morgan said after his team swept a doubleheader, 6-4 and 5-4, from the Milwaukee Brewers last night. The Red Sox are in third in the American League East, 1 1/2 games behind the first-place Detroit Tigers, and are 15-1 since Morgan replaced the fired John McNamara after the All-Star break.

"I'll take them while they come," Morgan said.

Rookie Jody Reed was the star for the Red Sox, going 7-for-9 in the doubleheader and scoring four times. Reed scored the game-winning run in the nightcap when he beat out a hit to third, continued to second on Paul Molitor's throwing error and came around on Todd Benzing's single.

The Red Sox have now won 18 straight at Fenway Park and no one was happier to be back from the road than Reed.

Mike Greenwell, who leads the majors with 83 RBI, had a two-run homer in the first game and Benzing added a two-run shot in the nightcap.

Tigers 3, Rangers 2

Rangers 2, Tigers 1

Alan Trammell's two-run homer in the bottom of the ninth inning gave Detroit the victory in the first game of its doubleheader with Texas. The Rangers took the nightcap behind the four-hit pitching of Bobby Witt.

Blue Jays 7, Yankees 1

Jeff Musselman scattered six hits in 7 2/3 innings and Fred McGriff had three RBI with a two-run homer and a sacrifice fly to lead Toronto.

Indians 7, Twins 0

Cleveland's Greg Swindell pitched a five-hitter, retiring 19 straight batters during one span, and Ron Kittle and Joe Carter hit two-run homers. Bert Blyleven slammed his glove and hat against the dugout bench after giving up Kittle's 14th homer, a two-run shot in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Royals 6, Orioles 2

Bret Saberhagen allowed three hits in seven innings to win for the first time in six starts and George Brett and Bo Jackson homered as Kansas City snapped a four-game losing streak. Jackson gave the Royals a 6-1 lead in the fourth with a three-run homer, his 14th of the season.

Angels 4, White Sox 2

Thad Bosley went 3-for-3 and drove in a pair of runs with a double and a tie-breaking sacrifice fly as California reached the 500 mark for the first time since April 18. Willie Fraser, 7-10, pitched 6 2/3 innings, allowing five hits, walking three and striking out four.

Mariners 5, Athletics 3

Steve Ballboni hit a three-run homer off Oakland relief ace Dennis Eckersley with two outs in the bottom of the 10th inning as Seattle snapped a five-game losing streak. Jose Canseco had tied the game in the sixth for Oakland with his Major-League leading 27th homer, a two-run shot that scored Dave Henderson, who had singled.

Astros 3, Dodgers 1

Mike Scott pitched a four-hitter and Buddy Bell had three hits and drove in two runs as Houston trimmed the Dodgers' lead to 4 1/2 games in the National League West.

Cubs 6, Phillies 3

Vance Law drove in four runs on two homers and Rick Sutcliffe ended a personal four-game losing streak. Andrew Dawson went 2-for-4, giving him 17 hits in his last 29 at-bats and making him 14-for-26 against the Phillies this year.

Cardinals 7, Expos 5

Tony Pena hit a two-run homer and Willie McGee had four hits and stole three bases as St. Louis snapped Montreal's five-game winning streak. John Delmonico, 7-8, allowed nine hits in 8 1/3 innings, striking out eight and walking three.

Giants 5, Braves 3

Rick Reuschel pitched a six-hitter, retiring 15 of the last 17 Atlanta batters. Reuschel, 14-5, struck out four and walked none in his second consecutive complete game. Zane Smith, 4-8, allowed seven hits and five runs — two unearned — in four innings.

### Results

| American League |   |              |   |
|-----------------|---|--------------|---|
| Toronto         | 7 | New York     | 1 |
| 1st-Boston      | 6 | Milwaukee    | 4 |
| 2nd-Detroit     | 5 | Milwaukee    | 4 |
| 3rd-Boston      | 3 | Texas        | 2 |
| 2nd-Texas       | 2 | Detroit      | 1 |
| Cleveland       | 7 | Minnesota    | 0 |
| Kansas City     | 6 | Baltimore    | 2 |
| California      | 4 | Chicago      | 3 |
| 10-Seattle      | 5 | Oakland      | 3 |
| National League |   |              |   |
| New York        | 1 | Pittsburgh   | 0 |
| St. Louis       | 7 | Montreal     | 3 |
| Chicago         | 8 | Philadelphia | 3 |
| San Diego       | 5 | Cincinnati   | 3 |
| San Francisco   | 5 | Atlanta      | 3 |
| Houston         | 3 | Los Angeles  | 1 |



## SPORTS

## SPORTS BRIEFS

## Noah defeated

BORDEAUX, France, July 30. (AP) Haiti's Ronald Agnir beat Yannick Noah today to gain the final of the \$245,000 Bordeaux Grand Prix tennis tournament. Agnir, who resides in Bordeaux, reeled off five games in a row in the final set to defeat the Frenchman, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3. Noah was the No. 1 seed in the tournament while Agnir was fifth-seeded.

## Yugoslav squad

BELGRADE, July 30, (UPI) Yugoslavia will be represented by 157 athletes at the Seoul Olympics. They will compete in 21 different sports. Strong teams in men's and women's basketball, handball and water polo make a large part of the athlete contingent.

## Volleyball tourney

KREMENCO Volleyball Club is organising a volleyball tournament for Indians. The tournament is scheduled to start on Sept 2, 1988. Indian teams interested in taking part in the tournament should contact Bijit Chacko, Tel 3262888 ext 2242 or P.K. Rajan on the same number, ext 2855.

## Nabisco GP

HILVERSUM, Netherlands, July 30, (AP) Top-seeded Guillermo Perez-Roldan of Argentina and Spain's Emilio Sanchez, the No. 2 seed in the \$150,000 Nabisco Grand Prix tennis tournament, advanced to the title match with semifinal victories today.

## Mike Conley

FAYETTEVILLE, Arkansas, July 30, (AP) Mike Conley, a silver medalist in the Los Angeles Olympic Games, has hired an attorney to protest the measurement of his final triple jump attempt at last week's US Olympic track and field trials.

## Princess Anne

NEWMARKET, England, July 30, (AP) The Princess Royal rode her fourth winner on the flat when partnering Vayra to victory today in the Brooke Bond Coffee Cup race at Newmarket. The princess, Queen Elizabeth II's daughter Anne, was always prominent on her mount, trained by Barry Hills, and only needed to ride out with hands and heels to beat Tajra by a comfortable two-and-a-half lengths.

## World record

MOSCOW, July 30, (Reuters) Mikhail Shchennikov of the Soviet Union set a world record in the 20-km road walk at an athletics meeting in Kiev today. Shchennikov clocked one hour 19 minutes eight seconds to beat the previous mark of 1:19:12 held by Axel Noack of East Germany.

## Dickinson leads

BETHESDA, Md., July 30, (Reuters) Judy Dickinson shot a four-under-par 67 yesterday and held a one-stroke lead after the first round of the \$225,000 Greater Washington Open golf tournament.

## Michigan Open

GRAND BLANC, Mich., July 30, (Reuters) Scott Verplank pulled out of the pack of the first round leaders to take sole possession of first place midway through the \$700,000 Michigan Open golf tournament yesterday.

## PGA Classic

CONCORD, Massachusetts, July 30, (AP) Bobby Nichols, who hasn't won a Senior Tour event in three years, shot a 5-under-par 67 yesterday to take a one-stroke lead after the first round of the \$300,000 Digital Senior PGA Classic.

## Bienne chess

BIENNE, Switzerland, July 30, (AP) Ivan Sokolov, the world's top-ranked junior chess player, held off more experienced partners to win the Bienne international grandmaster tournament.

## NFL team

FOXBORO, Mass., July 30, (Reuters) Remington products owner Victor Kiam likes the name 'Patriots' so much he wants to buy the National Football League (NFL) team that goes with it, his spokesman said yesterday.

## Sore losers

TYRE, Lebanon, July 30, (Reuters) Sore losers in a local soccer game in south Lebanon started a gunfight after the final whistle left them 3-2 goals down, security sources said today.

They said three players of one team and one from the other were wounded in the shootout yesterday in the village of Abbsiyeh, 10 km (six miles) northeast of this south Lebanese port town.

## ANNA CONE ELIMINATES DAVIS

## Agassi struggles past Berger

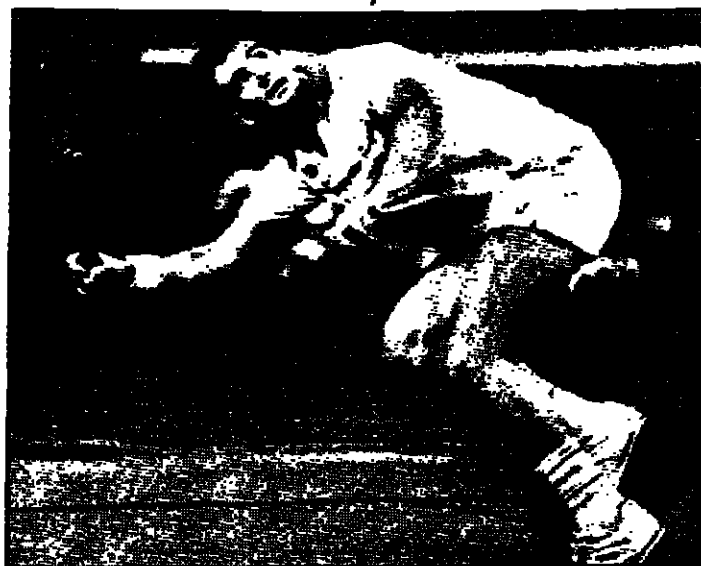
STRATTON MOUNTAIN, Vt., July 30, (Reuters) Second seed Andre Agassi of the US shook off a second set concentration lapse to defeat Davis Cup teammate Jay Berger 6-1 1-6 6-3 at the \$602,500 international tennis tournament yesterday.

Agassi advanced to the semifinals with his victory over the No. 10 seeded Berger. The 18-year-old with the rocket forehand was to face compatriot Dan Goldie this evening.

Distance Goldie, the 12th seed, ousted unseeded compatriot Jim Courier 6-4 4-6 6-4 on a day when all four quarterfinal matches went the distance.

The other semifinal was to pit ninth-seeded Australian Darren Cahill, the only non-American left in the draw, against 13th seed Paul Annacone.

Annacone eliminated fellow-American Marty Davis 6-4 4-6 6-4 and Cahill was a 6-3 4-6 6-4 winner over Bahamian Roger Smith, who shocked world number one Ivan Lendl in the second



Annacone: taken to three sets

round.

Agassi, ranked fifth in the world, looked as if he would win the match with ease as he overpowered Berger and jumped out to a 3-0 lead in just 12 minutes. He won three of the next four games

in the same comfortable fashion, but Berger took full advantage of a second set let down. "Nobody can play two straight sets like Andre did where he hit winner after winner after winner. I was counting on that,"

Berger said.

"I still felt strong in the second set," Agassi said, "but I lost my concentration."

In the third set, Agassi went back to his power game moving Berger from corner to corner as he set up the 10th seed and consistently put him away by blasting forehand winners.

Berger said that while he is impressed with Agassi's fast rise to the top, his own timetable is different.

"I'm looking to peak at 23 or 24 (years old). I haven't even come close to reaching my peak, but being 36th in the world isn't bad. Being 36th in the world is anything isn't bad," he said.

Annacone said the ups and downs of his quarterfinal match reflected the unevenness of Davis' service returns.

"I don't think Marty hit a service return in the court until the second set," said Annacone. "Then he finally did hit it back in and I wasn't mentally sharp. But I can't be too harsh on myself. I won."

## Ballesteros one shot off pace

STOCKHOLM, July 30, (Reuters) British Open golf champion Severiano Ballesteros eased within sight of his second successive victory today after a third round 66 left him one shot adrift of Scandinavian Open leader David J. Russell.

The cavalier Spaniard, who won his third British Open title at Royal Lytham two weeks ago, carded two twos and an eagle three at the seventh — where his 200-yard approach shot ran to four feet — for a 13-under-par 54-hole total of 203.

Russell notched the eighth hole-in-one of his career as he also potted a 66 over the Drottningholm course, to lead on a 14-under 202 total.

Defending champion Gordon Brand Jr was third, one stroke behind Ballesteros after a fine 68.

while a group of six — including American Craig Stadler and Australians Peter Senior, Gerry Taylor and Craig Parry — were another two shots back, 10-under-par on 206.

Russell recorded his ace with a seven iron at the 181-yard sixth and he was within a whisker of another at the short ninth.

## Feat

The Briton became the youngest player to hole-in-one at the British Open when he achieved the feat as a 19-year-old at Royal Troon in 1973.

Russell, now 34, also came close to sinking his tee shot at the first hole of the Open's third round at Lytham 14 days ago — he hit the pin before turning in a magnificent 29 — and went on to finish 11th behind Ballesteros.

A Swedish steel company put up 15,000 kgs of their product as a prize for an ace here, but Russell accepted their alternative of 100,000 Swedish crowns (\$15,000).

"All I have won previously is a gallon of whisky and a mug of champagne for my one at Troon," he said.

Russell lost his clubs en route from London to Stockholm. They were found in Turin and returned to him only hours before the first round.

Overnight leader Graham Marsh of Australia returned a disappointing 77, to slip into a tie for 10th place a further three strokes back with Argentine Eduardo Romero (72), Spain's Ignacio Gervais (67) and Swede Magnus Persson (72).

## Maleeva and Graf reach Hamburg final

HAMBURG, West Germany, July 30, (Reuters) Wimbledon champion Steffi Graf and Bulgaria's Katerina Maleeva disappointed spectators with mediocre displays as they eased into tomorrow's final of the Hamburg Women's Tennis Tournament today.

Graf dispatched Argentine Bettina Fulco 6-2 6-3 in a 64-minute semifinal and then admitted: "I'm not in top form."

The West German favourite for the tournament dropped her opening service but eighth-seeded Fulco failed to take advantage.

The 19-year-old Graf added after her victory: "I'm not very constant and my form is shaky."

Maleeva also struggled to find her best. She dropped the opening set against 14th seed Radka Zrubakova of Czechoslovakia but then lost only two games in the final two sets as she won 2-6 6-1 6-1.

## Early

"I was impatient," Graf said after the match. "Too often I wanted to make the point too early."

Graf, who clinched her first Wimbledon title earlier this month, bounced back into form with 6-0, 6-0 victory over Italy's Raffaella Reggi yesterday after a poor showing in her win against Yugoslavia's Sabrina Goleis the day before.

Graf, who has also won the Australian and French Opens, can achieve a rare Grand Slam if she clinches the US Open, which starts Aug 29.

## Evert gets early wedding present

NEW YORK, July 30, (Reuters) Chris Evert, who was to be married this evening, received an early wedding present yesterday when she was nominated by the United States Tennis Association (USTA) to compete at the Seoul Olympics.

Evert replaces Elise Burgin in the Olympic tennis tournament. Burgin withdrew because of a slow recovery from arthroscopic surgery on her knee earlier this year.

## Married

Evert, 33, and former Olympic skier Andy Mill will be married at the Polo Club in Boca Raton, Florida. It will be the second marriage for both.

At Seoul, Evert will join Pam Shriver and Zina Garrison, who were named to the women's team last year.

## Leverkusen win easily

BONN, July 30, (Reuters) Bayer Leverkusen beat Borussia Muenchengladbach 3-1 with a display of Dutch-style "total football" in the West German First Division today.

The performance marked the home League debut of new coach Rinus Michels, the man who led the Netherlands to European Championship glory.

## Attack

Herbert Waas and Christian Schreier scored in the 10th and 31st minutes respectively as UEFA Cup-holders Leverkusen kept up almost non-stop attack in the first half.

Substitute Hans-Joerg Cries headed a consolation goal for Muenchengladbach on the hour but Polish striker Marek Lesniak hit his first Bundesliga goal nine minutes later to make Leverkusen's victory safe. Only good saves by Gladbach goalkeeper Uwe Kamps kept the scoreline down.

After two games, only VfB Stuttgart still have a 100 per cent record. They defeated Hanover 2-1 last night.

Strikers Juergen Klinsmann, top marksman last season, headed his first goal of the new season in the 25th minute. But only a disputed 67th-minute penalty given for handball, and converted by Karl Alligewer, gave VfB Stuttgart both points.

## Results

|                   |   |                |   |
|-------------------|---|----------------|---|
| Leverkusen        | 3 | B. M. Gladbach | 1 |
| Karlsruhe         | 2 | Bayer Muench   | 2 |
| E. Frankfurt      | 1 | S. Kickers     | 2 |
| Bochum            | 0 | St. Paul       | 0 |
| Nurnberg          | 0 | Cologne        | 0 |
| B. Uerdingen      | 0 | W. Muenchen    | 0 |
| Kaiserslautern    | 0 | Werder Bremen  | 0 |
| Played on Friday: |   |                |   |
| Hamburg           | 0 | B. Dortmund    | 0 |
| VfB Stuttgart     | 2 | Hanover        | 1 |

## Manny Inserto gets Most Valuable Bowler award

## Hatid Ligaya capture Filipino bowling tourney crown

HATID LIGAYA-ABUGH-OSH INT'L (Cargomen) put up a brilliant performance in their final match against Kay & Associates on Friday to clinch the title in the men's division at the 7th Palaring Filipino Bowling '88 at the Silver Tower Club.

The Cargomen, newcomers to the competition, finished on top of the standings with an average of 839.8 points. The Cargomen went to the top of the standings after the first week and stayed there throughout the competition.

## Emerged

This is the first time in the history of this competition that a newcomer has emerged as champion and also had an unbelievable record of 36 wins. The team may be new to the tournament but the side boasts a number of veterans.

Hatid Ligaya, who needed only one point to take the title, thrashed Kay & Associates 4-0 with Rudy Zablan putting on the best performance of the day.

Rudy scored a career-best 627 pinfalls in three games to establish a new record in the Men's High Series breaking the old mark of 622.

## Took

The other Cargomen to perform well were Flor Tongson with 567, captain Manny Inserto 532, vice-captain Willy Sabay 480, Rookie Ojie Olor 288 and Roger Sabado 163. The other team members were Carl Baginda and Dodie Bautista.



Hatid Ligaya with three of their supporters.



Manny Inserto receives the trophy.

Manny Inserto, who averaged 179.5 for thirty games, was named the Most Valuable

Bowler for 1988. "Our strategy worked perfectly throughout the tournament,"



Mabuhay: the women's champions



Rudy Zablan in action.

said Manny after his team took the trophy. He is now preparing his team for the PBAK Inter-

## Barnett and Maynard get England call for 5th Test

LONDON, July 30, (Reuters) England called up batsmen Kim Barnett and Matthew Maynard today for the fifth and final Test against West Indies starting at the Oval next Thursday.

The uncapped pair, tipped all season to make their international debuts, were included in a 13-strong squad which had no place for David Gower.

Derbyshire captain Barnett, 28, seems certain to bat at number three, taking over from Bill Athey, who is also axed after England's 10-wicket defeat in the fourth Test at Headingley which gave West Indies a winning 3-0 series lead.

## Debut

But the dashing Maynard may have to wait a little longer before making his England debut. Glamorgan's 22-year-old stroke-maker will probably be left out if Allan Lamb recovers from a torn calf muscle.

Gower, who won his 100th Test cap and scored his 7,000th run at Headingley, and Athey are the only players dropped despite the disappointing fourth-Test performance.

Wicketkeeper Jack Richards is given another opportunity, keeping out Gloucestershire's highly-rated Jack Russell. And all-rounder Derek Pringle has held off David Capel's challenge.

Warwickshire seam bowler Gladstone Small, fit again after suffering a thigh injury during



Matthew Maynard

the second Test at Old Trafford, is added to the squad.

Should Lamb fail a fitness check next week, England will be left depending heavily on Graham Gooch's experience to see the newcomers through.

While Barnett and Maynard, should he play, will be having their first experience in the Test arena, Gooch's opening partner Tim Curtis and middle-order batsman Robin Smith will be making only their second appearances.

Chairman Peter May and his other selectors admitted the batting line-up might appear "a bit inexperienced but we are determined to look at them when they are thrown in at the deep end."

In fact, with Mike Gatting yesterday declaring himself unavailable for Test cricket until next year, May and company had little option.

A further blow to England's hopes came with the news that fast bowler Graham Dilley might not be fit for the Test.



Kim Barnett

Dilley pulled out of Worcestershire's county championship game with Northamptonshire suffering from a stress condition affecting his right knee, a problem that has dogged him all season.

England squad: Chris Cowdrey (captain), Kim Barnett, John Childs, Tim Curtis, Graham Dilley, Neil Foster, Graham Gooch, Allan Lamb, Matthew Maynard, Derek Pringle, Jack Richards (wicketkeeper), Gladstone Small, Robin Smith.

Maynard, who learnt of his selection after scoring 68 in a county championship match against Sussex at Eastbourne, said: "I only made a 12 when I faced the West Indian attack earlier in the season and didn't bat for long — but fast bowling doesn't worry me."

Maynard, who averages 42.51 in first-class cricket this season, added: "I feel in good nick and was pleased with my knock today, but I just can't seem to put the bat innings together at the moment."

## Waugh hammers fifth century of season

LONDON, July 30, (Reuters) A magnificent 161 by Australian Test batsman Steve Waugh, his fifth century of the season, boosted Somerset to 385 for four against English Cricket Championship leaders Kent today.

Waugh faced 172 deliveries and hit 23 boundaries. He was also involved in a 205-run fourth wicket partnership with Richard Bartlett, who scored 71 not out.

When the Australian had made 155 he reached 1,000 runs for the season in just 16 first-class innings and now heads the English averages on 91.

South African Roy Pienaar, awarded his county cap before the match, finally bowled Waugh. It was Waugh's highest score in England.

Warwickshire's Antiguan paceman Tony Merrick routed Derbyshire with six wickets in 10 balls without conceding a run. His burst included a hat-trick.

All six batsmen, including England newcomer Kim Barnett, were out for a duck. Derbyshire collapsed from 161 for four to 166 all out.

Another marvellous century by Zimbabwean Graeme Hick took Worcestershire to 132 for five against Northamptonshire. Hick, dropped on 36, made

132 in just over three hours. It was his sixth 100 of the season and 30th of his career.

## Scores

At Eastbourne: Glamorgan 283 in 104.1 overs (R. Ontong 89, M. Maynard 68, H. Morris 56, R. Bunting three for 49). Sussex 11 for two off six overs.

At Worcester: Worcestershire 321 for five (G. Hick 132, G. Lord 47, T. Curtis 45, P. Neale 44) v Northamptonshire.

At Canterbury: Somerset 385 for four (S. Waugh 161, R. Bartlett 71 not out, P. Roebuck 68, N. Pringle 54) v Kent.

At Derby: Derbyshire 166 in 65 overs (J. Merrick 54 not out, J. Wright 48, A. Merrick six for 29). Warwickshire 30 for no wicket off eight overs.

At Worksop: Leicestershire 257 for nine (P. De Freitas 113, J. Whitaker 61) v Nottinghamshire.

At Headingley: Lancashire 154 in 50.5 overs (G. Mendis 38, A. Sidebottom four for 32, C. Shaw three for 47). Yorkshire 90 for three (J. Love 45 not out).

At Cheltenham: Surrey 312 in 90.2 overs (G. Clinton 102, M. Lynch 45, J. Richards 43, D. Ward 43, K. Curran four for 62). Gloucestershire 12 for three.

## West Indies players slam Essex for 378

CHELMSFORD, England, July 30, (Reuters) Fast bowler Malcolm Marshall showed he can be equally devastating as a batsman with a whirlwind 76 during a run spree by the West Indian cricketers against Essex today.

Marshall, England's tormentor with 31 wickets in the first four tests of the current series, opener Gordon Greenidge (81) and Keith Arthurton (101 not out) played the major innings as the touring team made 378 all out.

Essex, whose beleaguered attack included two bowlers in England's squad for next week's fifth and final Test, Derek Pringle and John Childs, were eight for one at the close of the first day of the three-day match.

## Severe

Marshall, who lashed his runs in 89 balls, was especially severe on left-arm spinner Childs, once hitting him for 14 runs in three deliveries.

The Barbadian fast bowler, who added 110 for the sixth wicket with Arthurton, completed his half century in 64 balls and hit a total of three sixes and eight fours.

Such was the ferocity of Marshall's assault that Greenidge and Arthurton were made to look almost pedestrian, even though they scored rapidly with a sequence of powerful and handsome strokes.

Greenidge, who missed the fourth Test with a neck injury, confirmed his fitness for the last match at the Oval by looking completely at ease during an innings in which he faced 151 balls and struck one six and 12 fours.

## Middlesex hit 324 against Sri Lanka

LONDON, July 30, (Reuters) Scoreboard on the first day of the three-day cricket match between Middlesex and Sri Lanka at Lord's today:

MIDDLESEX first innings  
K. Brown c Silva b Samarasekera 17  
J. Carr c Silva b Samarasekera 21  
M. Ramprakash c Mahanama b Samarasekera 0  
R. Butcher c Ranatunga b Ramnaysake 41  
M. Roseberry c Silva b Ratnayake 11  
P. Dowton b Ramnaysake 24  
J. Embury c Ranatunga b Madursinghe 43  
J. Sykes c Madugalle b Ratnayake 83  
S. Hughes lbw b Madursinghe 8  
A. Fraser c Mendis b Ratnayake 41  
P. Telford not out 1  
Extras (lb-12 w-1 nb-16) 29  
Total 324

Fall of wickets: 1-40 2-40 3-47 4-64 5-113 6-126 7-204 8-224 9-316

Bowling: Ratnayake 24.5-6-77-3, Ramnaysake 23.3-81-2, Samarasekera 21.2-77-3, Ranatunga 2.1-5-0, Anurasi 13-0-53-0, Madursinghe 9-1-19-2

SRI LANKA first innings  
R. Mahanama not out 1  
A. Silva not out 0  
Extras 0  
Total (no wicket) 3

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